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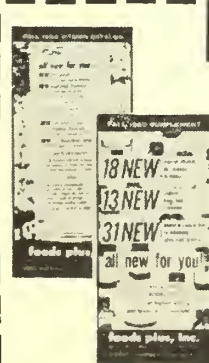
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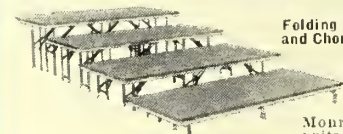


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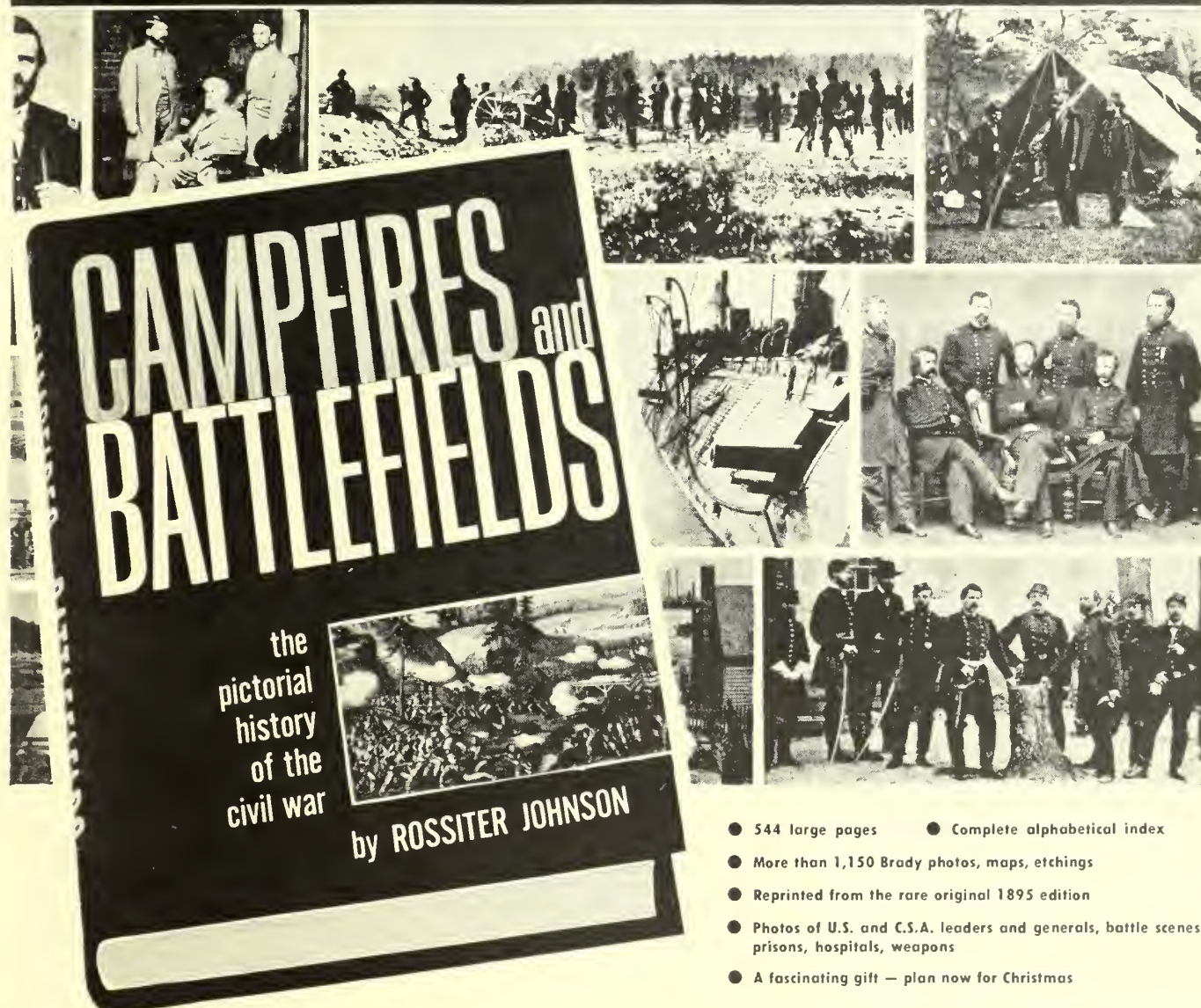
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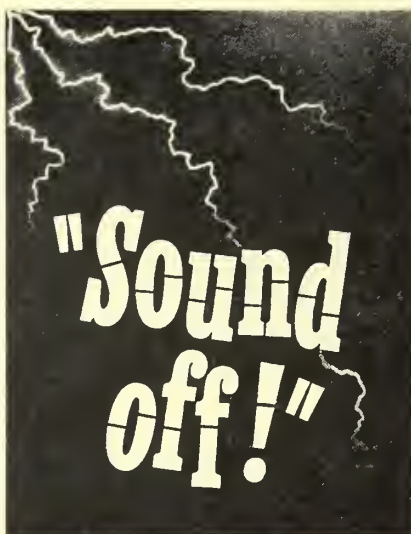
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Kenneth I. Rotker
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Sir: I read and enjoyed James Warner Bellah's fine article. It was especially interesting to me since I am working on a biography of General Pershing and I am interested in learning everything I can about the General and hearing from anyone who has letters, anecdotes, reminiscences, or other information about General Pershing.

Donald Smythe, S.J.
Georgetown University
Washington, D.C.

Sir: I appreciated the tribute to General John J. Pershing. As a high school boy in the early 1920's I recall how, with pride, we stood inspection by General Pershing at El Paso (Tex.) High School.

L. A. Walker
San Diego, Calif.

Sir: The tribute to John J. Pershing is a classic. I knew the General and saw him many times in WWI. The article should be put in pamphlet form and distributed in schools and colleges for the benefit of our young people. I am a Legionnaire of 40 years' mem-

bership. I retired in 1953 to a mill which has been in operation since 1767. General Washington commandeered this mill while he was at Yorktown and had gunpowder and flour ground here. Today the Old Red Mill is still waterpowered and grinds rye flour and buckwheat flour.

R. L. Tuttle
Claverack, N. Y.

UNDERFOOT?

Sir: As a wife of a retired veteran, a man who spent 48 years in one job, I feel the urge to speak up in behalf of men who have retired. These men have worked long and hard for our benefit. When they reach age 65 is there nothing more for them to do than to be made to feel that they are "underfoot at home," as was stated in Will A. Foster's article, "A Long Range Plan for Retirement" in the August issue? Mr. Foster suggested activities that would take the man out of the house as much as possible and said he ought to visit the boys at the firehouse. If a man's wife doesn't want him "underfoot at home" what makes Mr. Foster think the boys at the fire station do? We women should make our husbands feel important in the home.

Mrs. Ava Greenwald
Hemet, Calif.

VERSE AT 65

Sir: I have reached the magic age of 65. Now I draw the payments Social Security provides. Training I had galore; I offered my services in time of war. I give thanks to the men that made this a fact, but I wish I was young again and had my job back.

Fred Radikopf
Farmville, Mich.

IMPORTANT THINGS

Sir: There is only one way to stop communism. That is by teaching our young people Christianity. The most important thing is obeying the Ten Commandments. If the Ten Commandments are learned and obeyed by every person there will be no more wars, killing, lies, etc. The next most important thing is to have faith in God. For if we have faith in God we will not have to worry about wars, because God will comfort us. The next most important thing is to have faith in mankind. If we follow all these rules maybe we will come a few steps closer to world peace.

Tommy Lagos (age 10)
Springfield, Ohio

EXAMPLES

Sir: One example of progressive education is Stephen Bayne, the Westbury, L.I., high school boy who showed his disrespect to men who suffered and died for his freedom. Another example: Our twin sons were passed through the 6th grade with excellent report cards. Their teachers said:

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THANKS TO THE sad fact that militant communism has established a firm beachhead only 90 miles from the United States, a lot of people are at long last awakening to the fact that there is a clear and present danger from the Kremlin-run conspiracy to rule the world. This is evident from the mail we receive.

Americans still cannot understand how it was that a handful of revolutionaries, not much more formidable at first than some of the street gangs that infest many American cities, was able to seize control of a country that had a substantial standing army. But they are more than puzzled at the sight of pipsqueaks like the Castro Boys insulting the United States, seizing American property, throwing American citizens into jail, and threatening to call on their friend Khrushchev to blast American cities into oblivion. These things are infuriating.

Some Americans ask, Why don't we send a couple of battalions of Marines from Guantanamo to call the bluff of the hairy bigmouth? Certainly it wouldn't take many leathernecks to subdue the ferocious Fidelistas, but there's nothing that Castro & Co. would like better, Fidel and his comrades would come through unscathed because these heroic señors, like the famed Duke of Plaza Toro, have a tradition of leading their troops from behind. But a clash between American troops and Castro's "workers' militia" would leave a lot of unfortunate Cubans dead and the fat would then truly be in the fire. And don't think that we have built up a reservoir of goodwill in Latin America which would cause Latins to side with us. Look at the way the Organization of American States is straddling the Cuban issue!

So far as actual fighting is concerned, this matter is going to have to be settled by the Latin Americans themselves. However, the time has come for us to be realistic. To put it in the most charitable way possible, certain people in our State Department made some extremely bad guesses about Castro. As a result, and contrary to the advice of diplomats in Cuba, support of Batista was withdrawn and Castro found himself being given a tremendous buildup by elements in the United States who doted on him.

Certainly, somewhere, there must be a Cuban capable of giving Cuba honest home rule, without direction from Moscow. Why can't our premier-makers find

a promising candidate and give him the same effective treatment that was accorded the ingrate Fidel? This won't restore to life the hundreds of patriotic Cubans who went "to the wall" because they fought against having their country turned over to the Kremlin. Nor will it end the communist penetration of other Latin American countries by Castro's henchmen. But it might help avert the catastrophe that is building up for us and for the Cuban people each day that Castro runs Cuba.

WHAT HAPPENS?

A HIGHLY TOUTED professor becomes involved in American foreign policy, and a subsequent investigation portrays him as a "conscious, articulate instrument of Soviet policy," who has contributed much to the establishment of a Red China.

What happens? He drops from sight till the public forgets, then resumes teaching at a major university. He hasn't generated enough gall yet to give our State Department further guidance, but give him time!

A famed scientist, deeply involved in projects vital to our national security, is exposed as having had intimate dealings with characters, notably communists, whom respectable people wouldn't touch with a ten-foot pole (unless it had a bayonet attached).

What happens? Details uncovered by the investigation were so malodorous that the learned doctor can no longer mess around with our defense projects, but he makes many public appearances and receives acres of publicity space, virtually all of it lauding him.

A noted newspaper reporter writes a bylined series of dispatches which so distorts the facts that many people are persuaded that they ought to support a new regime in a neighboring country. The regime turns out to be communist.

What happens? The reporter is quietly shifted to another job on the same paper where he has ample opportunity to be helpful in an advisory capacity.

A movie scenario writer is exposed as a member of the Communist Party, an active participant in the red conspiracy.

What happens? He drops out of sight and sells his output under other names until the heat is off. Then he is openly hired to handle some of the choicest assignments the movie industry has to offer.

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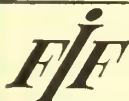
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YOUR PERSONAL AFFAIRS

Information that can help you with everyday problems.

Auto makers are going to adopt the one-stop shopping idea this fall. Most dealers will display a full line ranging from small to luxury models so that the customer can satisfy his pocketbook in a single showroom.

It's close to supermarket merchandising — but not quite the whole way. Dealers still will stick with a single manufacturer; they won't mix suppliers the way grocery supermarkets do. On the other hand, you won't have to hop from dealer to dealer to look at a Valiant in one place and a Chrysler in another. For example:

- A Dodge dealer now can carry a Simca (imported), Lancer, the Darts, the Polara, plus trucks.

- Similarly, a Mercury dealer will display British and German Fords, the Comet, the Monterey, Lincoln Continental, and English compact trucks.

Here's what's behind the move: 1) the auto has become such a staple in the American economy that manufacturers have to cater to consumers with an ever-widening range of merchandise, and 2) they have to pile enough variety into each showroom so that the dealer can survive.

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Did the roar of war affect your hearing? Noise and concussion can do it — also tuberculosis, typhoid fever, flu, plus such childhood plagues as mumps, chicken pox, whooping cough.

When loss of hearing begins in adults, the victim often has these symptoms: He asks that words and phrases be repeated; he can't hear a dripping faucet in the same room; he can't hear a speaker unless he's facing him; he tends to cock one ear toward the source of sound. Physical symptoms like earache, dizzy spells, and a "stuffed up" feeling in the ears also are common.

In children, watch out for poor speech; mispronunciation of common words (particularly if they have an "s" sound in them); truancy and misbehavior; difficulty in learning to read. Mouth breathing may be a clue.

An estimated 15 million persons — including upwards of 2 million young people — have hearing problems, the American Hearing Society figures (this nonprofit organization works in behalf of the acoustically handicapped, has some 120 local affiliates). The Society suggests:

1) **Have your hearing tested regularly;** don't poke into your ears with matchsticks or metal objects; see your doctor at the first sign of pain or discharge; avoid swimming in uninspected pools or stagnant water.

2) If your hearing begins to fail, consult a specialist; if he recommends a hearing aid, learn to use it correctly and wear it consistently; you may find it wise to study lipreading to supplement your hearing aid; speech and voice lessons also can be useful in adjusting to loss of hearing.

Friendly tip: When speaking to a person who's hard of hearing, don't repeat — or yell — a word he fails to understand. Try another phrase.

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If you need any statistical ammunition to make your young ones work just a little harder in school this year, take a look at the following figures:

- The fellow who gets a job today with no more than a grade school education will earn — on the average — \$178,000 during his entire lifetime.
- If he's finished high school, his life earnings could jump to \$243,000.
- And if he's completed college or better, he can look forward to a whopping \$347,000.

Incidentally, the Bureau of Labor Statistics points out that starting salaries for college graduates still are on the rise. Latest figures show \$504 per month for engineers; \$444 for accounting; \$434 for sales; and \$424 for general business trainees.

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Notes of the month:

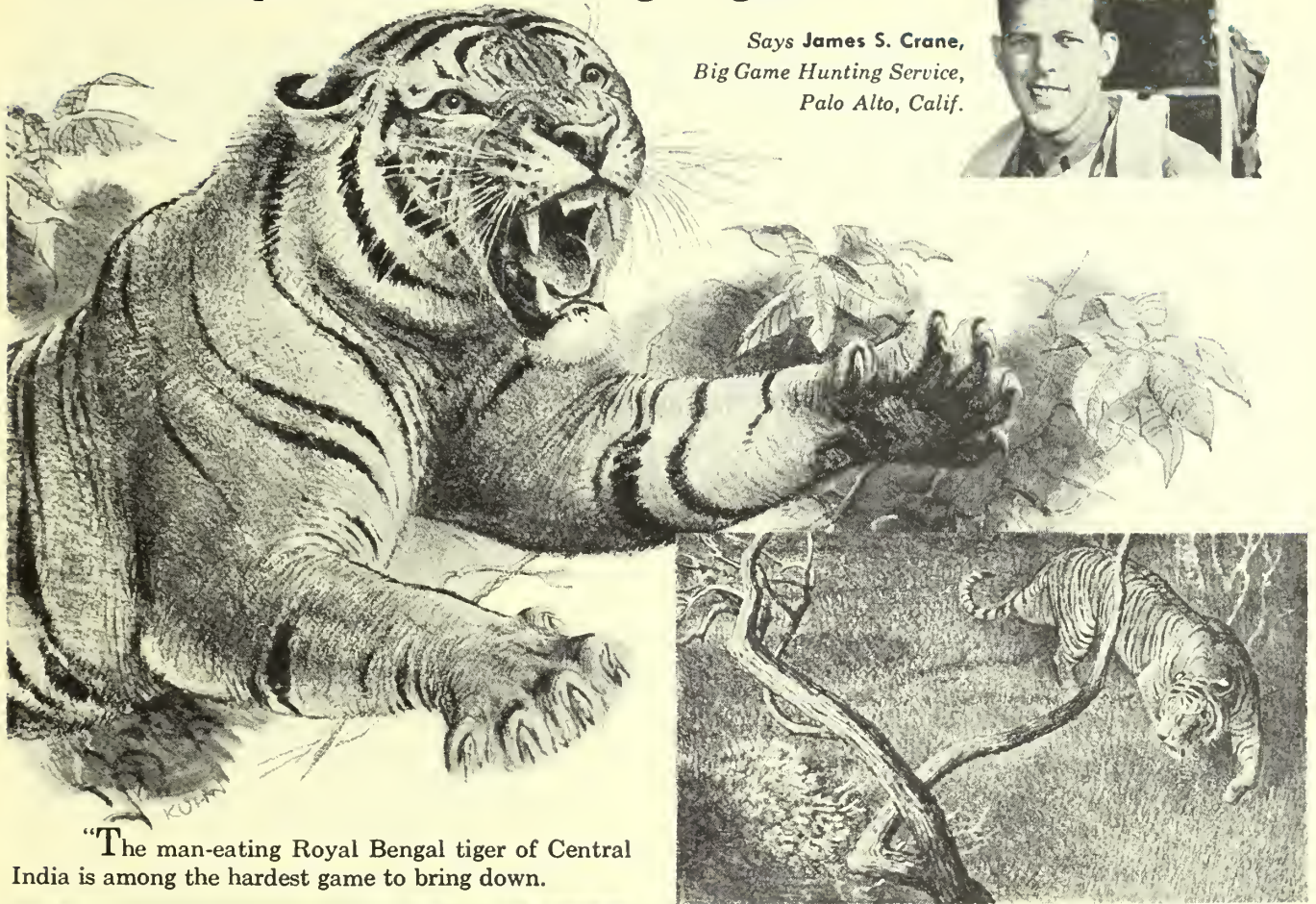
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OMEN: Pennsylvania will try to shoo drivers in poor physical shape off the road. Beginning in 1961 drivers who have held licenses since 1924 will have to pass an eye test and physical exam.

—By Edgar A. Grunwald

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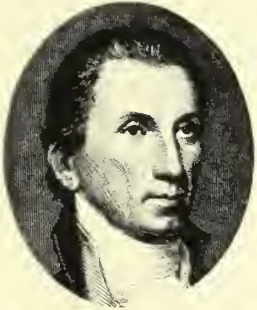
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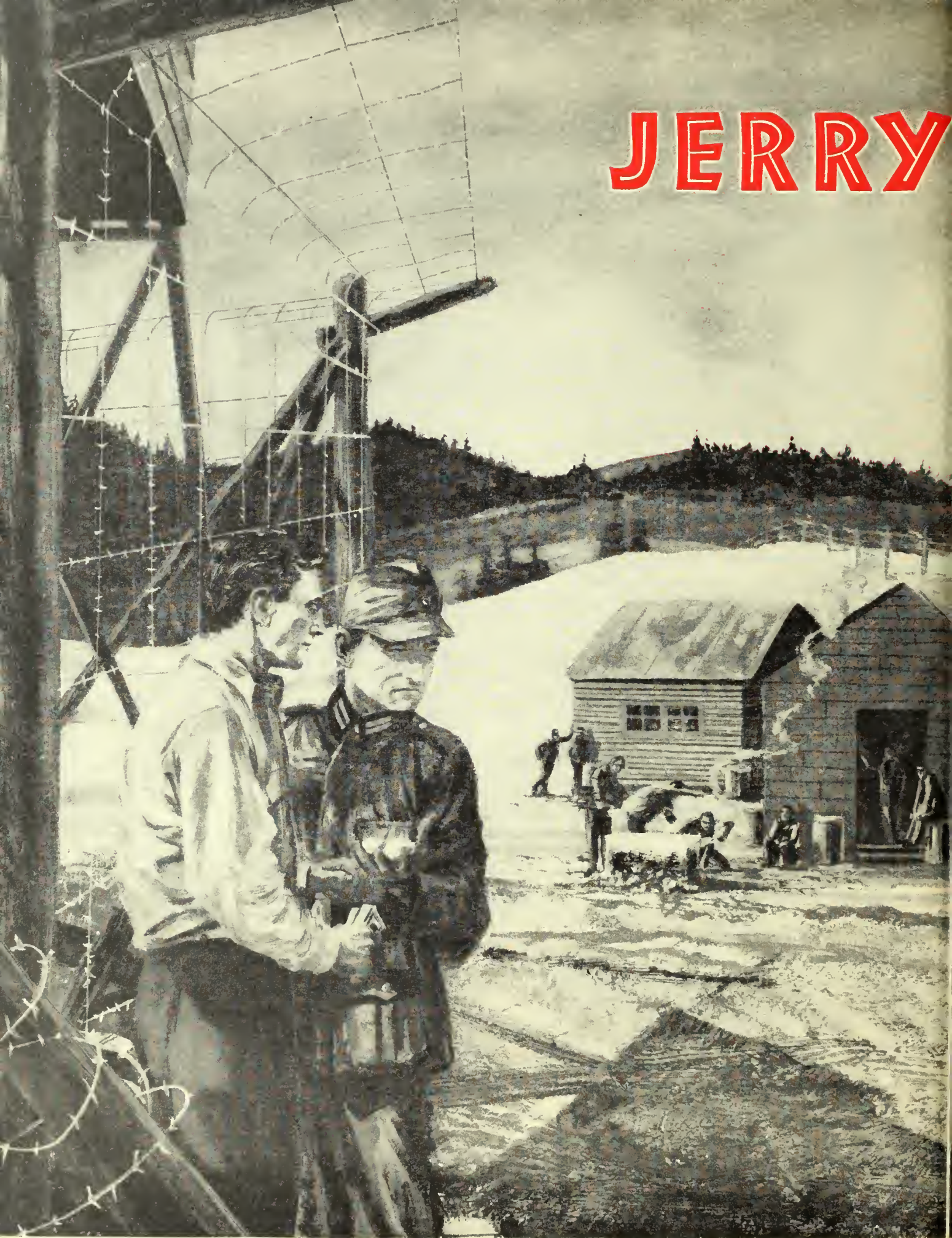
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“ . . . We owe it, therefore, to candour, and to the amicable relations existing between the United States and those powers, to declare that we should consider any attempt on their part to extend their system to any portion of this hemisphere as dangerous to our peace and safety. With the existing colonies or dependencies of any European power we have not interfered and shall not interfere. But with the governments who have declared their independence and maintained it, and whose independence we have, on great consideration and on just principles, acknowledged, we could not view any interposition for the purpose of oppressing them, or controlling in any other manner their destiny, by any European power, in any other light than as the manifestation of an unfriendly disposition toward the United States. . . . It is impossible that the allied powers should extend their political system to any portion of either continent without endangering our peace and happiness; nor can any one believe that our southern brethren, if left to themselves, would adopt it of their own accord. It is equally impossible, therefore, that we should behold such interposition, in any form, with indifference.”



JERRY



The German guards wanted American cigarettes so they got into the act.

GORDON'S PX

How free enterprise reared its head in a German prison camp.

By **BENTON J. RESNIK**

FOR MOST OF US the price of cigarettes keeps going up, usually as new taxes are levied. Naturally, the citizens do quite a bit of griping about this, but somehow I can't seem to get worked up over it. I can remember when cigarettes were worth their weight in platinum. So mere taxes are child's play compared to the problems in a prisoner-of-war camp. And Jerry Gordon solved most of them.

I met Jerry Gordon in Stalag Luft IV, a prisoner-of-war camp for Allied Air Force personnel in Germany. I had been waist gunner of a B-24 which had been shot down near Vienna in August of 1944. Jerry's route to Stalag Luft IV was a circuitous one, for he began his POW career in an Italian prison camp early in 1943. Since this story is about Jerry, it might be worthwhile to recount what this tough and shrewd man experienced between his capture by the Italians and his arrival in a German prison camp.

Conditions in the Italian POW camp were unbearable. Dysentery, bad food or no food at all, insects and poor shelter were a few of the hardships, but Jerry managed to survive. This rugged, dark-haired product of New York's lower East Side was no stranger to poor living conditions, even before his Air Force years.

Some time after Jerry's capture the Italians capitulated. In a surprise move they freed their prisoners by merely opening the compound gates and leaving the men to their own devices. This proved to be a mixed blessing, however, as the prisoners were behind enemy lines and the Germans were closing in to recapture them. What to do?

The now ex-POW's didn't hang around long looking for a solution. They took to the hills. Without arms, food or resources of any kind, they hid out, hoping that the nazis would retreat far enough for them to come out of hiding and return to their own lines.

All the help they received came from the Italian peasants. These poor, hard-

working people gave them shelter and as much food as they could spare from their own pitiful supply. But they had a deep and abiding hatred for the "tedeschi," as they called the Germans. When nazi troops came looking for the

But the Germans were not asleep. Word of the British activity leaked to them. They sent in their own counter-intelligence complete with forged British papers, perfect British accents and counterfeit money. These well-trained



Jerry's better nature won out and he reached into his bulging barracks bag.

prisoners, they were met with false leads, dumb stares and a great many stalling tactics. Even threats from their own countrymen, the fanatical *fascisti*, were ignored by the farmers. The recapture of Jerry Gordon and other prisoners was no fault of these Italian people. It was a combination of careful planning on the part of the Germans, plus a bit of luck, that turned the unfortunate trick.

News of the former Italian prisoners reached British headquarters. They sent their agents to the central Italian hills. These agents managed to contact many of the Allied men and gave them money, reasoning that a bribe in a strategic spot might enable a few of them to get through to Anzio, where the Allies had made a landing.

men also made contact with the roaming Allied personnel, managing to set up a pipeline of their own — one that led to disaster. They hoodwinked the men into coming to the beach for a supposed rendezvous with a submarine which would take them to freedom. But when the unwary lads arrived at the beaches they were met by a withering burst of machinegun fire. Many a former prisoner, thinking he was returning home, walked unwittingly to his death. Jerry Gordon, one of the luckier ones, escaped that fate. Instead, he was recaptured and sent this time to a German prison camp.

Although conditions in the escape-proof compound of the Germans were better than those under the Italians, life was far from being a bed of roses.

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ILLUSTRATED BY RAY KEENE

By WM. F. BUCKLEY, JR.

WE WILL PROBABLY never know for sure whether Sacco and Vanzetti were guilty of killing the paymaster and his guard, brutally in midafternoon, in South Braintree, Mass., for the sake of \$15,000.

There were witnesses who said they had seen Nicola Sacco, the shoemaker, in Boston on the 15th of April, 1920, at the hour the crime was being committed. Others came forward who said they had seen Bartolomeo Vanzetti, the fish-peddler, at Plymouth all that day. The jury concluded the defense witnesses were either lying in behalf of their friends, or that they had simply confused the date in question. At any rate, they didn't believe them. Witnesses stepped forward who looked at Sacco and Vanzetti and said these were not the men they had seen commit the murder, or drive off in the murder car. Other witnesses to the crime looked the defendants in the face and said, These are the men.

The jury disbelieved the one set of witnesses, believed the others. When Vanzetti was picked up he had in his pocket a Harrington & Richardson revolver, which he carried, he said, because sometimes he had as much as a

hundred dollars in his pocket from the sale of fish. The dead guard, Berardelli, carried a Harrington & Richardson, too—but when they turned the corpse over after the shooting the gun was missing. Purely a coincidence, Vanzetti said; he



SACCO-VANZETTI



Sacco and Vanzetti as they appeared at their trial. At right, as they were glorified on an NBC-TV show.



Radicals have long hated Judge Thayer, left, who sentenced the pair. They showed their hatred by bombing his home.



offered a story on how he had got hold of his Harrington & Richardson, a story corroborated by some of his friends. Bunk, the prosecution protested: the revolver was snatched from the dying Berardelli to prevent him from shooting after the fleeing robbers. The jury doubted Vanzetti.

Sacco, too, had a gun when he was picked up, a Colt .32 loaded with nine bullets. He carried a gun, he said, because he also served as nightwatchman at the shoe factory where he worked. In his pocket he had 23 additional bullets.

Sacco's Colt was fired during the trial and four "experts" examined a test bullet to compare it with the bullet that had been removed from the heart of Berardelli. Two experts for the defense doubted the bullets' correspondence. One expert for the prosecution said the bullets had been fired from the same barrel; the

The reds made the case a special cause. This is a 1927 mass meeting in New York's Union Square.

Overseas, communists used the case to discredit the United States. This gathering, held in Paris in 1927, was addressed by Bartolomeo Vanzetti's sister.



Periodically the Sacco-Vanzetti Case is resurrected to "prove"

AGAIN

that American justice is not for poor people.

We are now getting another repeat performance.



Was it Sacco's cap? There were those who said it was, those who said it wasn't; the jury believed it was Sacco's, all right. And so on July 14, 1921, they found Sacco and Vanzetti guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

Thirty years later, in 1952, an enterprising reporter from the New Bedford (Mass.) *Standard-Times* decided to track down the jurors, hoping to find one or

and draft dodgers. They were appalled by the accusations that they had been servile instruments of a hanging judge. They were not out to extirpate heresy, but to weight evidence: they believed Sacco and Vanzetti to be guilty of murder, in the first degree.

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Webster Thayer and Fred H. Moore clearly loathed each other. Thayer was a



Harvard historian Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., presented his own version of the case which included several errors.



Now the Ford Foundation has hired Marc Blitzstein, a composer with a from record, to turn out an opera about the pain.

fourth said only that the bullet was "consistent" with having been fired through Sacco's Colt. The jury believed Sacco's was the murder gun. (Several years later, when the knowledge of ballistics had been greatly refined, the two bullets were once again compared: it was then conclusively established, to the satisfaction even of the defense, that they had been fired from the same gun. Whereupon the defense suggested that the bullet on exhibit was a plant — surreptitiously substituted for the mortal bullet in order to clinch the case.)

The bullets in Sacco's pocket were of an obsolete make. But they matched the mortal bullet. The prosecution challenged the defense to go out and find others like it. The defense looked, but could not find any.

A cap was dropped by one of the murderers at the scene of the crime.

two of them still alive and willing to talk about the case. To his surprise he found eight were living, and all but one highly communicative. One of the seven had even written a book (unpublished) about the trial, carefully chronicling the day-by-day events, recording his impressions of the witnesses, the judge, the prosecution, the defense, and his evaluation of the testimony.

Every single one of the surviving jurors was profoundly convinced that Sacco and Vanzetti had been guilty beyond a reasonable doubt, notwithstanding the ensuing uproar. All of them believed, moreover, that the trial judge, the controversial Webster Thayer, had been scrupulously fair. They were not, they said, much influenced by the identification witnesses. Primarily they had been convinced by Sacco's possession of the obsolete bullets. All the jurors deeply resented the charges they had heard so frequently over the years, that they wanted to lynch Sacco and Vanzetti merely because they were anarchists

proper Bostonian, a man with an impeccable record as a lawyer and a jurist, whose figure, in the courtroom and out, was that of Defender of the Establishment. Fred Moore, lawyer for the defendants, on the other hand, was the romantic figure of a radical from California, an itinerant and passionate friend of any enemy of the Establishment, who specialized in defending radicals, labor leaders, anarchists, wobblers. He had had some striking successes. He was, no doubt about it, unscrupulous: there is abundant evidence of efforts by him in the months after the trial to suborn witnesses, to cajole and intimidate them in order to win a retrial. But he was, in many respects, a poor lawyer, and certainly just the wrong man to put up in Webster Thayer's courtroom.

Moore's associates begged him at the outset of the trial to step down in favor of a more finished legal technician, but he would have none of it: the case belonged to him. In court he would some-

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By DAVE WARNER

IF YOUR FAVORITE football team is upset this season, chances are better than even that it all began with a good job of scouting.

Up until the late 1920's, football's Peeping Toms had a thankless job. They sneaked into stadiums on Saturday afternoons, stealthily jotted down notes and generally acted like undergroundlings who had come to steal the ordnance stores.

Scouts now not only are accepted by rival colleges but are given choice seats in the press box and supplied with line-ups, paper and sharpened pencils — everything except the plays the opposing coach intends to use. These the gridiron gumshoe must dig out on his own.

That scouts get their job done is evidenced by the following spectacular examples of victories directly attributable to excellence in sleuthing:

Item: Navy last year ran up the biggest score (43-12) on Army since the two service academies began playing in 1890. The lopsided victory was made possible because from its scouting report Navy knew 95 percent of the time whether Army would pass or run. The Middies picked up the key early in the year and it held true. Navy also decided to rush Army quarterback Joe Caldwell, who usually got his passes off fast. Joe had no time at all to throw. As a result, he underthrew, overthrew and landed on his back in his worst performance of the season.

Item: In 1957, Notre Dame, an 18-point underdog, beat Oklahoma, 7-0, ending the Sooners' 47-game winning streak. Irish scouts noticed and later confirmed in movie films that Oklahoma was a bit weak on short passes and wouldn't gamble in a close game, preferring to stick with basic plays. Notre Dame clicked on short passes and stopped the six basic plays they were waiting for.

Item: In 1942, Hugh Devore, then a Holy Cross scout, discovered that the Crusaders' only chance of beating a great Boston College team would be to trap its All-American tackle, Gil Bouley. Holy Cross repeatedly and purposely let Bouley flood into its backfield. And each time George Connor hit him from the side, assuring a gaping hole and a stunning 55-12 Holy Cross victory. The loss was BC's only one of the season.

Item: Williams and Amherst met for the 1956 Little Three championship in a game which "experts" said the boys from Williamstown, Mass., didn't have a chance of winning. During steady spying of five games, Williams scouts learned that Amherst's left corner linebacker always ran out with any player who looked like an intended receiver.

Williams repeatedly ran the option play with reinforced blocking to its right side. If the Amherst linebacker ran out with his man, the Williams back kept the ball and ran for big yardage. By the time the Amherst linebacker wised up and decided to stay at the line, Williams simply passed to the uncovered receiver. Williams won, 26-12.

Item: Back in 1914 Johnny Maulbetsch of Michigan was rated the best plunging fullback of his era. But when Michigan, with Maulbetsch its star, met a weaker Cornell team, Johnny was thrown for a loss 14 of the 15 times he carried the ball. Cornell scouts had noticed that every time the Michigan All-American was going to carry, his quarterback would pat him on the hip. It later developed that the reason for this was

that Johnny Maulbetsch had a hearing loss and couldn't understand spoken signals too clearly. The tap was his private sign from the signal-caller to get ready.

Coaches take their chances on being the beneficiaries or victims of scouting jobs. But almost without exception high school, college and professional football teams are glad to exchange scouting courtesies. Logging millions of miles of travel each season, scouts have become as familiar to the football scene as long gainers, dazzling quarterbacks, cheerleaders, dogs interrupting play on the field and the time-honored waterboy.

All that coaches ask is for scouts to stay away from the weekday practices where the tricky, secret stuff is brewed. Lately, no scout has been caught violating that rule although, a report goes, a

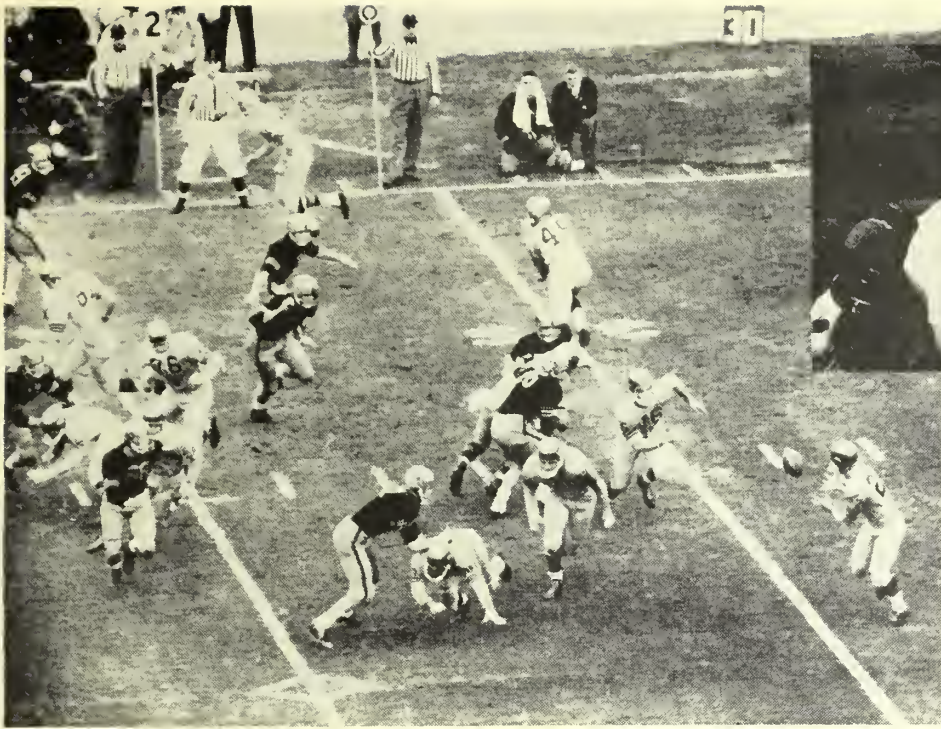


Yale was host to at least 20 inquisitive scouts at last year's Harvard game.

FOOTBALL'S PEEPING TOMS

Nowadays there is nothing sneaky about

football scouting. It's an honorable profession.



Lt. Phil Monahan, USMC, and Steve Belichick. Their scouting for Navy made possible such achievements as Navy's lopsided 43-12 win over Army last year. At left is a scene from that game.

Noire Dame's staff study Oklahoma's weaknesses as shown on film. Head Coach Joe Kuharich is shown with a reel that helped Noire Dame beat the Sooners 7-0 in 1957. Below, an Oklahoma player being stopped.

scout once rolled himself up in a field tarpaulin and ogled secret practice until he was caught and shooed away amid embarrassment.

Scouts, who mostly doubled as assistant football coaches, must know football intimately and later must interpret what they see to form a plan of battle.

Methods of operating will differ, but generally a scout's notes will include systems of play (T-formation, single or double wing, multiple offense); giveaway traits such as the guard who leans before pulling out of the line; why a team is slow or fast; better players at various positions; best defensive and offensive tactics; which plays are apt to work best in which situations, etc.

Rundowns on players will read something like this:

Left halfback: Good on end sweeps. Fast, hard to bring down . . . exceptionally good pass receiver and can pass as well. When in tailback spot will run four out of five times.

Fullback: Weighs 215 pounds, Runs mostly to inside with power and speed.

Overall team: In good shape at tackles and also in backfield. Based on present knowledge, weakest spots are at guard. Quarterback position is undoubtedly strongest spot with two experienced players there. Can put lettermen at every position except left guard.

A scout's main objective is information as to an opponent's weaknesses. As one sleuth put it, "We've got to find what we can do against the defense. We can hold 'em all day, but if we can't score, we can't win."

As a rule, a scout will see an opponent several times a season. The first time he may just look, getting an idea



of players and style. The second time he gets down to dummying patterns on a pad, getting every play as precisely as he can. By the third game he is ready to translate observations and diagrams into a report, trying to evaluate where they are strong and weak, where the opponent can operate on his team and where

his team can work best.

For a really important game, several scouts may be assigned. Scouting is big business and is best illustrated by Army and Navy who began preparing for this fall's game the day after their game last year. Other equally warm rivals from

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By **MERLYN S. PITZELE**

THERE HAS BEEN a lot of talk—justified talk—about the “population explosion.” Looking into a future not too distant we can clearly see a further increase in the birth rate and a further decline in infant mortality. This means more babies, more children growing into adulthood, more people. As a nation we have been concerned about whether we will have enough schools, enough homes, enough jobs for them all. With all of the discussion and planning going on, no one can say it is a problem that has suffered from lack of attention.

But the impact of a population explosion so plainly seen in a climbing birth rate has a recoil that is too often overlooked. At the other end of the life tables, the increase in the number of people over the age of 65 is mounting faster than the birth rate.

The figures are dramatic: There are 15.4 million persons aged 65 and over in the population, representing 8.6 percent of the total.

Over 3,000 persons become age 65 every day.

By 1975, there will be 20 million people over the age of 65 in the popu-

WEYER OF TOLEDO



Within 40 years the average family will be made up of four generations.

they remain cold and lacking in humanity. To feel their human dimensions consider this: Our picture of the man preparing for retirement is of an aging person whose family is a devoted wife, grown children and grandchildren in whose company he looks forward to spending happy hours in the new leisure of his retirement. But the new facts show us that the true picture is far different.

Now, one out of every three persons between the ages of 60 and 64 has a parent or close relative in his 80's or older. Within 40 years this figure will double so that two out of every three persons approaching the retirement age of 65 will have a parent or close relative over 80. The average family, not the rare one, will be made up of four generations. Your own chance of becoming a great-grandfather increases all the time.

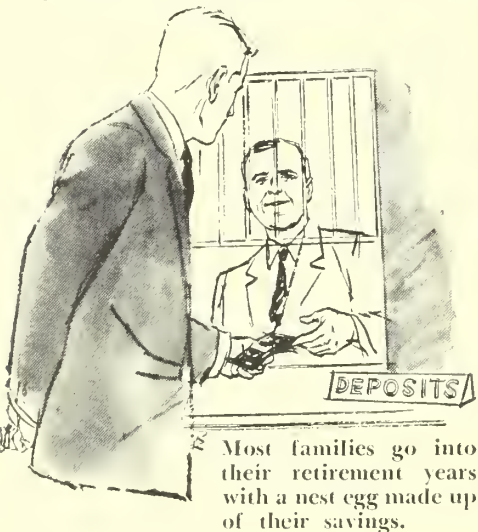
How well is our society prepared to deal with the profound changes which an aging population will bring?

For the financial support of the elderly, a sound base already exists. A federal system of Social Security covers vir-

tually everyone who is employed, excepting only those in a few professions. Since the system was established in 1937, improvements and expansion have been regularly legislated. Every male covered by Social Security has the right to retire from his job at age 65 and receive benefits. Every female has the right to retire at age 62.

As of last year, the average monthly benefit received by all persons drawing Social Security was \$72. But illustrating how benefits have been liberalized is the fact that those who retired last year received an average monthly benefit of \$82. What this means is that persons retiring now, and those who will retire in the future, are entitled to higher monthly payments. Close to 7 out of 10 aged persons are now receiving Social Security and that number will show a continuous increase.

There is nothing that smacks of charity or philanthropy in the Social Security program. The funds out of which benefits are paid are accumulated through direct taxes on employers and employees.



Most families go into their retirement years with a nest egg made up of their savings.

lation, even if the death rate stays the same.

These figures take no account of new medical techniques and pharmaceutical developments which one may expect to come along at a pace at least as fast as that of the last 15 years. Accelerated scientific research on heart and circulatory disorders and on cancer—the chief killer diseases of older people—promise further extensions of the life span. The conclusion is exact: Many more people will live much longer.

Impressive though the figures are,

...A Problem for All of Us

In dealing with the aged we must think

in terms of humanity, not just statistics.

The payment of these taxes is, in effect, the purchase of an equity that the taxpayer recovers upon retirement. Most of the improvements in benefits have been paid for by increasing Social Security taxes or by broadening the base upon which these taxes are collected. The man who applies for Social Security benefits need feel only that he is getting something that he, himself, paid for.

In addition to the Social Security system, the federal government in collaboration with the States maintains an Old Age Assistance program. For hardship

Mississippi it came to \$29.

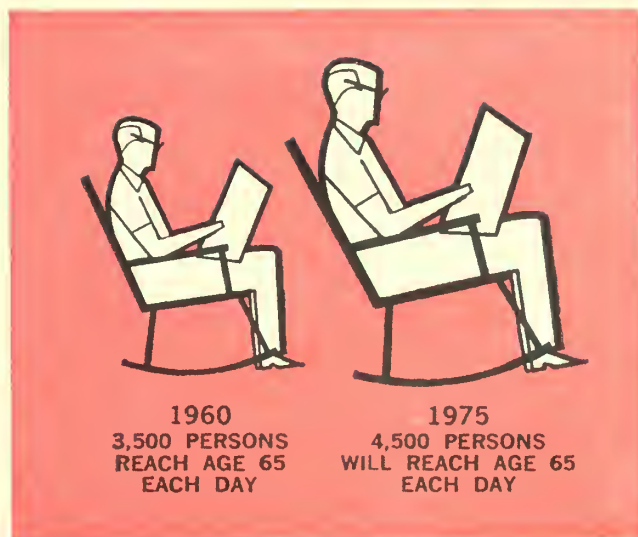
Of increasing importance in providing a foundation of financial support for our aging population are private pension plans. A program of retirement pay is now a commonplace in American industry. It used to be that only the executive, the member of the topside management team, could count on the continuation of some part of his salary after his active work-life came to an end.

That situation has been greatly changed within the last 15 years. The company which today has more than 50 employees and does not have them all

covered by a pension program is a rare, not a usual, company. Throughout all industry, the lowest paid employee, as well as the company president, can count on a pension when he satisfies the age and length-of-service requirements in the retirement plan.

The most recent estimates calculate the amount of money in these private pension programs at \$42 billion. You can appreciate the magnitude of that figure when you realize that it is substantially more than the entire U. S. budget for national defense. Each dollar of the \$42 billion is earmarked for pensions and can, under the law which provides special tax treatment for this money, be used for no other purpose. Yet this tremendous sum is growing all

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Social Security benefits and funds from pension plans are increasing.

cases where income cannot cover necessary expenses, funds are available to the aged on a regular basis. About one out of six aged persons receives such assistance. The average monthly payment under this program last year was \$64 but there are wide variations state by state. In Connecticut, for example, the average monthly payment was \$108, while in

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE: PAYMENTS TO RECIPIENTS BY STATES, APRIL 1960

STATE	MONTHLY PAYMENTS	STATE	MONTHLY PAYMENTS	STATE	MONTHLY PAYMENTS
Ala.	\$53.21	Maine	\$67.76	P. R.	\$ 8.22
Alaska	64.42	Md.	61.12	R. I.	78.29
Ariz.	61.67	Mass.	103.11	S. C.	40.38
Ark.	53.83	Mich.	72.36	S. Dak.	61.02
Calif.	90.93	Minn.	89.40	Tenn.	42.91
Colo.	102.35	Miss.	29.77	Tex.	52.90
Conn.	116.65	Mo.	59.71	Utah	73.01
Del.	49.65	Mont.	63.85	Vt.	62.56
D. C.	64.66	Nebr.	70.93	V. I.	23.63
Fla.	57.35	Nev.	70.74	Va.	43.95
Ga.	47.29	N. H.	77.83	Wash.	82.80
Guam	24.66	N. J.	89.76	W. Va.	39.05
Hawaii	63.05	N. Mex.	68.38	Wis.	83.06
Idaho	67.96	N. Y.	107.48	Wyo.	72.65
Ill.	73.84	N. C.	40.57		
Ind.	61.97	N. Dak.	90.09		
Iowa	79.75	Ohio	74.69		
Kans.	80.25	Okla.	79.88		
Ky.	46.11	Oreg.	80.08		
La.	71.66	Pa.	68.26		

Average
Monthly Payments
\$68.11

By GARDNER SOULE

GASOLINE IS NOW being used in large quantities to prevent backache and muscular pain. It is not applied as a liniment, however, but is used in small engines which, by the millions, are mowing lawns, cutting down trees, tilling gardens, pumping water, and doing many other chores that were once sheer drudgery.

So many odd jobs are now being done by small gasoline engines of 10.9 horsepower or less that an estimated 6 million of them were manufactured last year. In 1958, the last year for which Department of Commerce figures are available, the U.S. produced 5,362,437 of the small engines, the majority of which were of 3 horsepower or smaller. Indeed, the production of the small engines is now running neck and neck with our output of automobile engines, and will probably forge ahead of the big fellows before long.

As an indication of what this means as a source of power, consider that thousands of big diesel engines are made in this country — for electric plants, for huge cross-country trucks, for road-building machinery, for ships, and for freight locomotives that can race along at 80 miles an hour. But in total horsepower available to do men's work, the small gasoline engines are doing more of a job than the powerful diesels are.

The small gasoline engine is today where the automobile was after World War I, when cars were first produced by the millions. In the automobile the internal combustion engine had one purpose: Transportation. The little engines have hundreds.

The one-lungers that run your lawnmower or your garden tractor are proving themselves to be the most versatile helpers men ever had. Off New Zealand, they saw up whales. In New York City, they crack ice en route to hotels. On fishing boats, they haul up nets. They paint stripes on highways, sweep floors, staple cartons, inflate tires, even rock kids' hobby horses.

You'll see them wherever you go. From atop the cabs of big trucks, they cool fresh fruits and vegetables. On railroad tracks, they drive what used to be handcars. One model powers a small switch engine that runs either on track or road, and moves single freight cars about with the greatest of ease. In oil fields, they spin the flywheels to start the big diesel engines. They also start the engines of some of the big earthmoving machines building the interstate highway network.

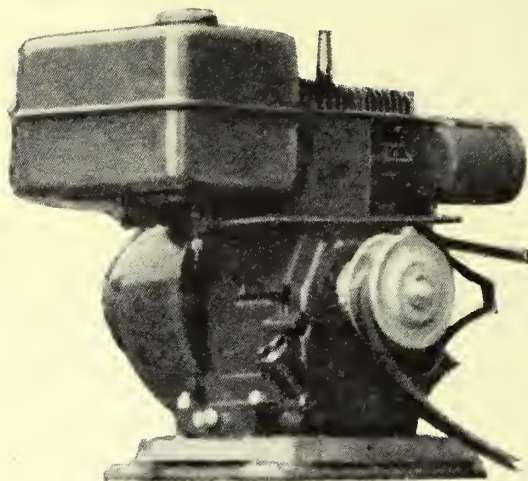
You'll find them on building jobs. For example, a 7-horsepower gasoline en-

gine is now used to drive a motorized wheelbarrow which can carry three-quarters of a ton of brick or concrete up a 20-degree slope. You'll also see them operating plaster and mortar mixers, hoists, and power trowels. Look down manholes, and you'll see that they perform ventilating chores—blowing out the foul air. In Florida, they push swamp buggies—shallow-draft boats propelled by airplane-type propellers above their sterns. Around the Great Lakes, they either bore or saw holes in the ice for ice fishing. In the Midwest recently one little engine was spotted waving the arms of a scarecrow.

They have even caused a renaissance of oldtime horseless carriages, complete with curved dashboards and brass headlamps. Thanks to small gasoline engines,

horseless carriages like those made in the early 1900's are being manufactured again, with a difference. The difference is 1960-model 3- to 5-horsepower gasoline engines. They give the new-old cars (as they are called) approximately the same horsepower the original ones had, the same number of cylinders (one), but a great deal more dependability. Today's horseless carriages are scaled either to full size or two-thirds original size, are available either finished or as do-it-yourself kits. Priced from \$1,000 up, they're finding favor for family shopping, driving around town, and jaunts to the beach.

The biggest customer of all for the small engines is—you guessed it—you. By far the biggest use is for lawnmowers. In 1946, 100,000 power mowers were made



Portable power in a small package.

Everybody's Little Helpers

Small engines are making life easy for

many by doing all sorts of odd jobs.



TORO

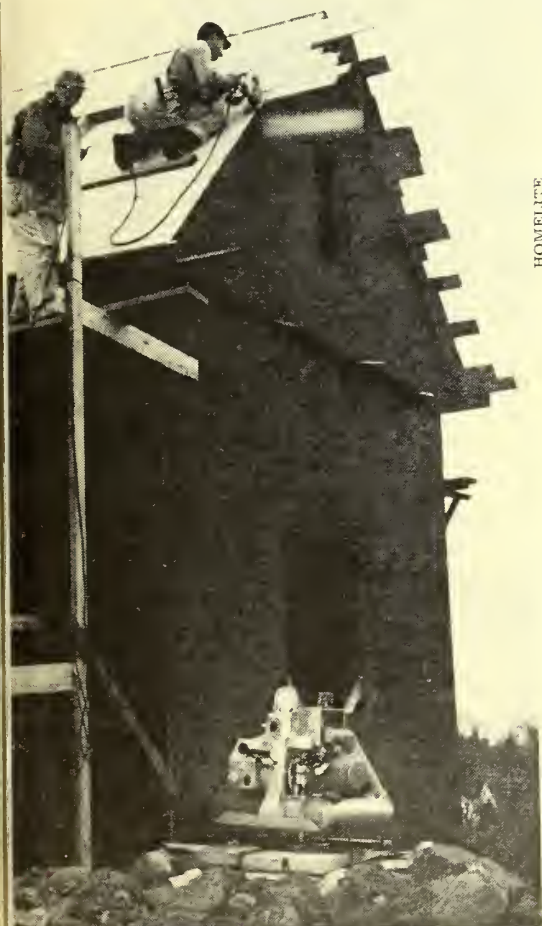


They work in winter, too, keeping walks and drives clear of slush and snow.

KOHLER CO.

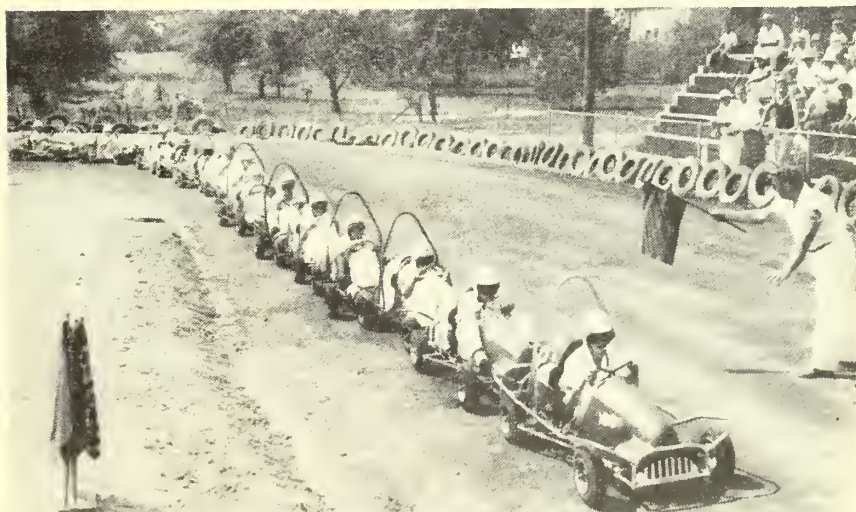


Ten-horsepower engines were used to propel these Sno-Travelers which carried 900-pound loads on a recent 1200-mile trek deep into Alaska.



HOMELITE

Portable generators run by gas engines provide electricity for power tools.



Karts, powered by small engines, are rapidly becoming a national craze.

in the U.S.A. In 1959, it is estimated, 4.2 million were produced. Although 25½ million power mowers have been made since the war, and almost 17 million are still in use, one of the mower firms estimates that by 1965 the market will require 7.3 million annually. This firm is also convinced that there will continue to be a big market for mower attachments: edgers, trimmers, snowblowers, snowplows, tillers, etc.

Manufacturers figure that the man

who owns a power mower cuts his grass-cutting time to one-third. "I save the most time," said a veteran homeowner to me the other day, "when my wife's behind the mower." The manufacturers are fully aware of this fact, and current models make mowing easier for the girls. The old jerk-the-cord starter is replaced by several easier methods—recoil starters or even electrically driven units. Mowers you ride are replacing those you walk behind. Riding-type mowers, although fairly new, already account for half of one big company's total production. A 1961-model pushing mower, due this October, will have bicycle wheels for easier pushing and a 5½-horsepower

cast-iron motor to clip dank, heavy grass or thick underbrush.

Second biggest use of the little power-plants is for garden tractors and tillers. Here, according to one school of thought, they have reduced the toil and left in the fun. "I have a garden tractor," says Fred Dutcher, a retired Columbia University engineering professor, "and with it I knock the devil out of my garden." He grows tomatoes, peas and other typi-

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There Are NO COMMUNISTS

By MORRIE RYSKIND

THERE ARE NO COMMUNISTS in Hollywood. And, contrary to what you may have heard from the FBI, the House Un-American Activities Committee, the Senate Subcommittee on Internal Security and the sworn testimony of informers, there never were any. Sturdy non-conformists, yes; forward-looking progressives, undoubtedly; agrarian reformers, definitely; but communists? Perish the thought!

True, I wasn't always of this opinion. And even now, as I recall the doings of men and women in the various Hollywood guilds who connived like communists, spoke like communists and acted like communists, some of the old doubts occasionally come back. As a rule, I am proud to say, these doubts are only of momentary duration and my will power is strong enough to banish them; if they persist, however, I call for help from the local chapter of Anti-Communists

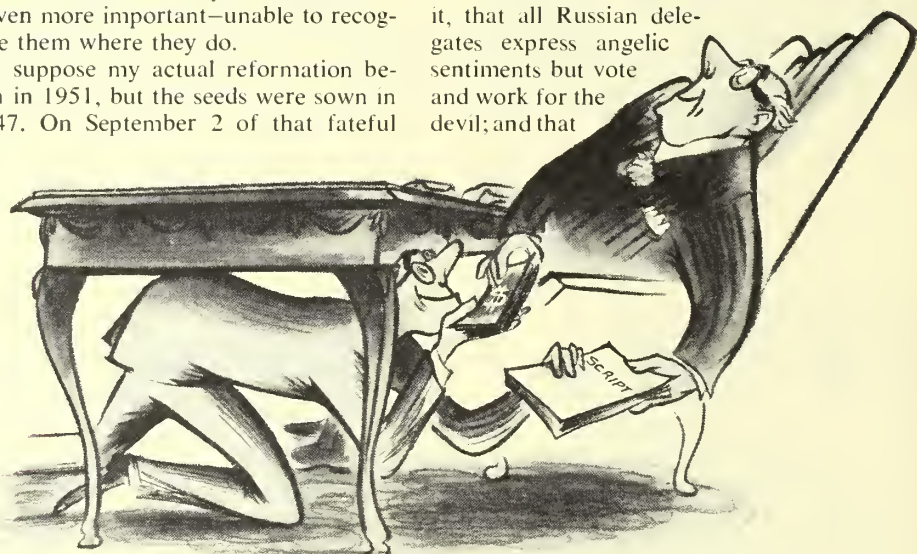
Some people may have acted like commies

but they were just sturdy non-conformists.

records of Paul Robeson's, I go to bed contentedly, seeing no evil, hearing none and thinking not at all. I awake in the morning a normal, clear-eyed, unaware American, psychologically unable to see communists where they don't exist and—even more important—unable to recognize them where they do.

I suppose my actual reformation began in 1951, but the seeds were sown in 1947. On September 2 of that fateful

a Mr. X (his name doesn't exactly escape me, but I am allergic to it for reasons I shall presently explain), in which a Russian delegate to the United Nations expresses some rather angelic sentiments. It was her contention, as I recall it, that all Russian delegates express angelic sentiments but vote and work for the devil; and that



Proletarian authors continued to do business under the same old stand.

year, a "Town Hall Meeting of the Air" debate—originating in Hollywood—was scheduled on the subject, "Is there really a threat of communism in Hollywood?" Mrs. Lela Rogers, mother of the famous Ginger, was to speak for the affirmative and, on the eve of the event, asked a group of her misguided friends, myself included, to listen to her prepared speech and offer any suggestions that might occur to us.

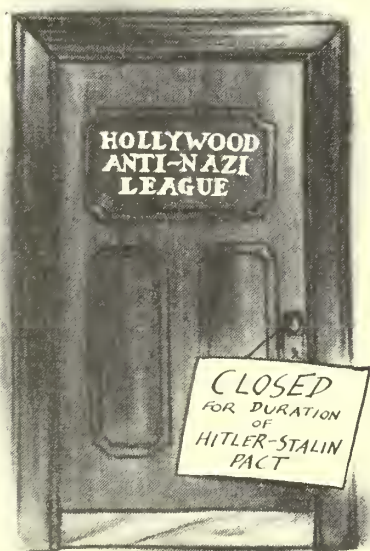
We did; and the next day, having rounded up such other horse-and-buggy chauvinists as we knew, attended the festivities. During the debate, Mrs. Rogers quoted some excerpts from a then-unproduced play by one of her opponents,

the author might have revealed some of the delegate's deeds as well as words.

In his rebuttal, Mr. X. replied that words lifted out of context do not give you the true flavor of a work: that his play would come to New York in December, and that he was content to leave the final judgment till that time. And—as an occasional playwright—I thought he made an excellent reply.

Well, the play opened in December and ran seven performances. George Jean Nathan, in his summary for the "Theatre Book of the Year," made no mention of Mrs. Rogers. What he wrote was, "The public could not take any part of it, and the play expired where it stood."

That would normally have been the end of it, for the sad fact is that the playwright is the last unprotected member of American society. True, if he has

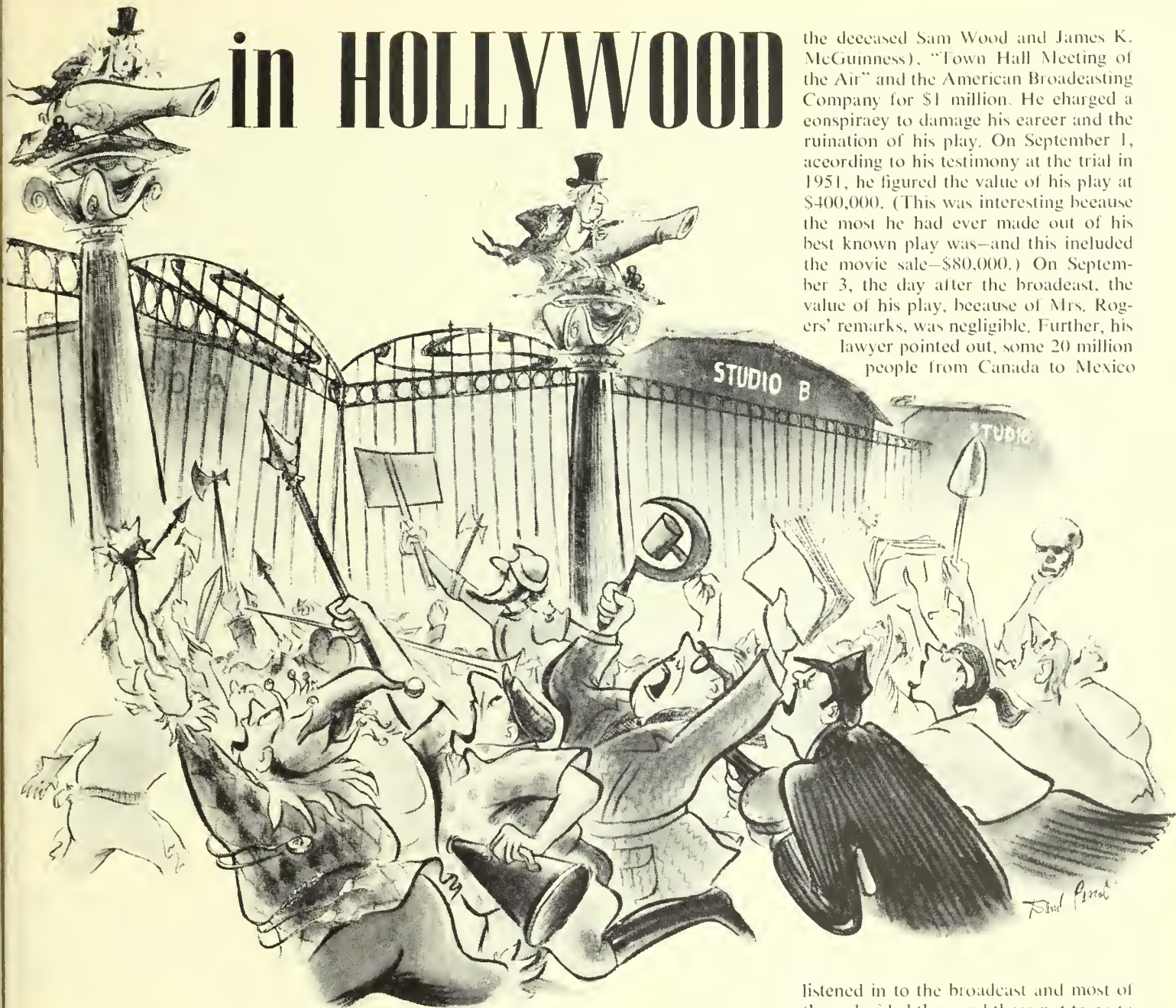


Everything was going along fine till Hitler and Stalin became comradesly.

Anonymous (an organization of former red-baiters who have seen the light) and, after a night devoted to reading aloud editorials from the more liberal papers, listening to taped speeches by Jimmy Roosevelt and Cyrus Eaton and some

Morrie Ryskind, co-author with George S. Kaufman of Pulitzer-prize-winning "Of Thee I Sing," has also written the screenplays of "Claudia," "Animal Crackers," "My Man Godfrey," "Man About Town" and "Room Service." He is known as a militant anti-communist.

in HOLLYWOOD



Hollywood's agrarian reformers merely wanted to seize the vast acres owned by the capitalist exploiters and distribute them to the peasants.

a hit, his troubles are over for the year except for the inevitable bout with the income tax collector. But hits, alas!, are few and far between, and even such box-office writers as Osear Hammerstein II and George S. Kaufman have known the long years of drought.

You can work a year on a show, bring it in, and once the New York critics and audiences put their thumbs down, what you have are one week's royalties—and that's all. For some silly reason, the movies don't buy flops; the government boys don't come forward to offer you even 70 percent parity on what you would have made if it were a hit; they don't offer to pay you for storing it in an ever-normal granary; there is no Soil Bank

ILLUSTRATED BY DAVID PASCAL

for playwrights by which a fellow could be paid not to write for a while; Secretary Benson won't export your flop to India or Chile or Ghana or other lands virtually starving for plays; the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare will not lift a finger for you; and even in the charters of the ADA and the U.N., those two last resorts of culture and humanity, you can find no word about aid for the indigent playwright. You can't even get unemployment insurance for the 51 weeks your play doesn't run.

That's what happens to an ordinary playwright—me, for example. But Mr. X. was made of sturdier stuff. He sued Mrs. Rogers, all of us who had attended the September 1 conference (Ayn Rand, Robert Arthur, myself and the estates of

the deceased Sam Wood and James K. McGuinness), "Town Hall Meeting of the Air" and the American Broadcasting Company for \$1 million. He charged a conspiracy to damage his career and the ruination of his play. On September 1, according to his testimony at the trial in 1951, he figured the value of his play at \$400,000. (This was interesting because the most he had ever made out of his best known play was—and this included the movie sale—\$80,000.) On September 3, the day after the broadcast, the value of his play, because of Mrs. Rogers' remarks, was negligible. Further, his lawyer pointed out, some 20 million people from Canada to Mexico

listened in to the broadcast and most of them decided then and there not to go to New York to see the play. And they obviously didn't. In addition, where Mr. X. had made \$28,000 in 1947, he had earned only \$16,000 in 1948 — also directly attributable to Mrs. Rogers.

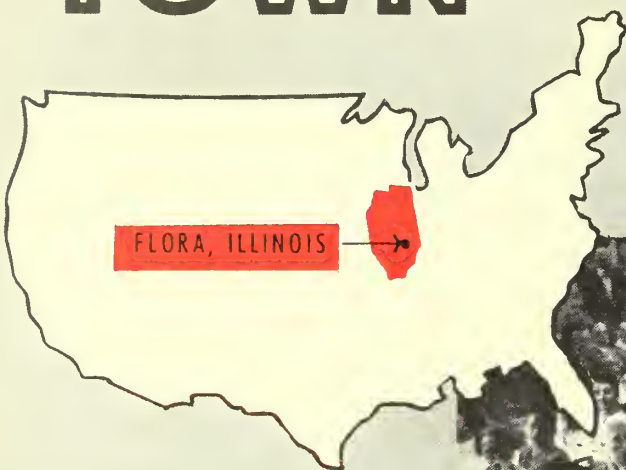
A jury of our peers awarded damages for "unfair criticism" to the extent of \$30,000; later a settlement was reached with the manager (oh, *he* sued, too); altogether, what with legal fees and assessments, it cost each of us between \$12 and \$15,000—and a solid month of our time.

After that I was cured. The hard way. I still see Mrs. Rogers occasionally but we never discuss communism or plays. She *did* once ask my opinion of a local production of "Hamlet," when I ran into her during intermission. I looked around hastily and drew her outside.

"Lela," I said, "are you mad? Have
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SHOW TOWN

When the Ford Motor Company decided to show its 1961 line in a typical American community at the nation's population center, it selected Flora, Illinois. There it found that The American Legion was the town's center.



By **GEORGE H. WALTZ, JR.**

TOURISTS WHO A few days ago drove through Flora, Ill., a typical small American city just 100 miles east of St. Louis, saw an odd sight. Every car driven by the local citizenry was white, it was a Ford product, and it was a brand new 1961 model.

If any visitor wondered about the invasion of the new Fords, the members of the local American Legion Post (Clay County Post 14), city officials and businessmen, soon set them straight. The Ford Division of the Ford Motor Co. had picked Flora as the site for the official international unveiling of its 1961 line of passenger cars and trucks, an event normally held in Detroit, the Automobile Capital of the World.

During that time, Flora literally became "Ford Town, U.S.A." Every car and truck owner within the city's limits was presented with a 1961 Ford model to drive during the first-of-its-kind mass showing and demonstration. Just before the week began, 1,350 Ford passenger cars, 98 light trucks, 72 tilt-eab heavy trucks, and 30 assorted vehicles for emergency purposes were vanned into Flora under wraps. Maintenance crews

WAYNE MILLER



Ed Beneki, Chairman of the Flora Chamber of Commerce, addresses a dinner at Post 14 where the plans for "Ford Town, U.S.A., Week" were first discussed.

were brought in from the Ford headquarters in Dearborn, Mich. A mass car-washing system was set up to keep the white cars sparkling. Newspaper, magazine, TV and radio reporters and photographers were flown in and housed, dined and taxied while they covered the event. The town was spruced up for the occasion.

Why was Flora, Ill., chosen for this unprecedented new-car unveiling? First of all, Flora is an average small American city (pop. 5,300, plus or minus a few) with a typical American Legion Post and other community organizations. *Second, Flora is in close proximity to the present center of population in the United States.* The city provided the Ford Motor Co. with a typical cross section of America, an average area in

which to mass-test and introduce their line of 1961 Fords, Falcons, Thunderbirds, and light and heavy trucks.

All of this took quite a bit of doing, and Flora's American Legion Post 14, under the able leadership of Commander Edwin Guyott, played a large role in that doing, just as it plays a leading part in all of Flora's community and business affairs. Commander Guyott not only served on the city's Welcoming Committee, but Legionnaires in uniform served as drivers of the press cars, and manned an Information Booth for the benefit of the press and visitors. The Post's Auxiliary served as hostesses and waitresses. The Post also provided its bus for the transportation of city and Ford officials and set up one of its large tents for use as a fully equipped first aid station by



Commander Edwin Guyott with one of the new cars in front of Flora's Post 14.

the Red Cross. For months before the first new Fords rolled in, a six-man Post Planning Committee had coordinated the Post's activities and worked hand-in-hand with the official city Welcoming Committee, Mayor Norman Bryden, and the Chamber of Commerce.

In doing all of this work, the men of Flora's Post 14 were merely following the tradition of American Legion Posts in towns and cities all over the country. As a group, they performed a community service.

The story behind Flora's Post 14 is typical of many Posts across the nation—particularly Posts located in relatively small communities. Out of a male adult population (over 21) of some 1,500, about one out of every five men in Flora is an active Post member. The Post's membership of 534 also includes members who have moved away from Flora, but who continue to pay their dues and return to Flora for occasional get-togethers and Post functions.

First started in 1920, when meetings were held in a vacant store on the city's main thoroughfare, the Post now has an enviable 40-year history of actively serving as one of the main focal points in community activities. In fostering youth activities alone, the Post not only sponsors a Junior American Legion baseball team, but a Little League baseball team, a Little League football team, and a Boy Scout troop as well. The Auxiliary sponsors a Brownie troop.

The Post's fine air-conditioned brick building, just recently refurbished, is



The six-man Post Planning Committee goes over arrangements. Starting at extreme left are Walter Cook, Commander Edwin Guyott, Charles Laird, Dave Schoonover, Fred McCollum and Ralph Richey. They coordinated the Legion Post's activities.

used by the Red Cross Blood Bank, the Girl Scouts, Civil Defense, and the Chamber of Commerce. Many of the city's official functions are held there because it provides the best meeting room and recreational hall in the community.

Never forgetting those in need of help, the Post also maintains a stock of adjustable hospital beds and crutches for any Florian who may have need of them. The hospital beds are particularly helpful to the bedridden aged and to those convalescing after a hospital stay.

Working with the Chamber of Commerce, Post 14 is also active in trying to bring new industry to Flora. Besides active work, the Post contributes generously to the city's Factory Fund. Just this year, a new large factory for the manufacture of automobile horns was built on Flora's outskirts.

As a matter of fact, you would find it difficult to live, or work, or do business in Flora, Ill., without coming into contact with members of Post 14 at least several times a day. Besides being active in community development, the Post membership also forms the core of



Walter Cook and the Legion bus that he drove to transport people who participated in the huge promotion.

Flora's professional, business, and administrative people. The Post membership includes doctors, lawyers, city officials and contractors, in addition to businessmen, shopowners and craftsmen.

Two members — James Briseoe and Leo Stitzner — are City Commissioners. Briseoe is Commissioner of Streets, and Stitzner is Commissioner of Public Works, which includes the Police Department, the Fire Department, and the city utilities. Edward Beneki, another very active Post member, is Chairman of the Flora Chamber of Commerce.

The Vice Commander of the Post, Paul Riggle, is a successful attorney, and another attorney, Harold Wineland, is



Mrs. Dios Meisenhimer, newly elected President of the Post's Auxiliary, accepts the keys to her 1961 model from Leo Allen.

running for the office of Circuit Judge this fall. These are but two of a half-dozen lawyers who are members of the Post.

Then there are Drs. Eugene Foss, Lucien Hutchens, Howard Villman, and Paul Naney who help to take care of Flora's medical ills. At Flora's well-equipped modern hospital, Legionnaire Dr. Thomas McCullough is the top ra-

diologist. Dr. Naney is President of the Illinois Heart Association.

At the nearby Fabrick Tractor Co., Past Cmdr. Dave Schoonover is manager and Charles Laird—both members of the Post Planning Committee — is bookkeeper.

Ed Guyott, the Post Commander, is the top salesman for the Flora Lumber Co. However, in addition to his daily



Dave Schoonover, a Past Commander of Post 14, and his family get their first look at the four-door sedan they picked to drive during the week.

work and his Legion duties, he also manages to serve as Director of Civil Defense (a post he has held since 1958), as Chairman of the Disaster Committee of the Red Cross, and as Chairman of the Boy Scout Troop 282 Committee.

A good percentage of Flora's shops — 51 of them — are either owned or manned by Post 14 members. Also, if you want something done to your house in Flora, the chances are that the craftsman who comes will be an active member of Post 14.

As a result, Post 14 forms a vital center of strength in the city of Flora, not only in general community activities, but in the economics of the community and in its administration and growth.

The invasion by Fords was quite an event for Flora, and the membership of Post 14 was in the midst of it. When the 1,550 brand new 1961 Fords, shrouded and mounted on car carriers, began rolling into town in mid-September, they were parked on what had just a few weeks before been a 15-acre wheat field. The field was marked off like a giant parking lot, with each space identified by a letter and number. At specific times, Flora's car and truck owners brought their own vehicles to the field, obtained new Ford products, and parked their cars and trucks in the spaces vacated. Careful listings were maintained of the vehicles' owners, the 1961 Fords they would drive for the week, and the older cars and trucks left parked on the field.

What type of passenger car each Flora car owner received had been decided

months before when they had been asked by an independent research team which type of Ford car — standard size, compact Falcon, or Thunderbird — they would buy if they planned to buy a new one soon. Unaware that they were actually selecting the type of car they would drive during the celebration of "Ford Town, U.S.A., Week," Flora's car owners indicated the exact Ford model and accessories they preferred. From the individual responses, the Ford Division was able to compile a master list of a typical small American city's car choices. Regular size Fords were selected by 69.6 percent of the city's car owners, while 20.8 percent chose Falcons, and 9.6 percent picked Thunderbirds. When it came to accessories, heaters headed the list. Next came radios, then backup lights, windshield washers and automatic transmissions.

The cars most seen during the "Ford Town, U.S.A., Week" in Flora were four-door standard size Fords with two-door sedans, station wagons, and convertibles following in that order. Those who drove Falcons had preferred, in order, four-door sedans, station wagons, and two-door sedans.

Besides serving as an unusual introductory program for the new Fords, Flora's Ford Week provided the first material for a complete survey and study of a typical U.S. community's reaction to a new car line. Skilled technicians now are feeding an IBM RAMAC 305 electronic brain, installed in Flora in late August, a steady diet of facts and figures regard-

ing the city and its residents as well as their pros and cons regarding the new Ford cars they drove for one week. Altogether, the survey has required inquiries on hundreds of subjects. The RAMAC can absorb some 10 million separate items of information, catalog them, and give them out again in response to specific questions. According to George H. Brown, Ford Division market research manager, "Every available statistic on Flora and its citizens, including their likes and dislikes when it comes to cars and trucks, has been recorded in RAMAC. To the best of my knowledge, never before has the introduction of a new car been studied with such searching thoroughness."

Slowly, Flora is getting back to normal. However, as always, Post 14 is still busily engaged in community activity. Flora's "Ford Town, U.S.A., Week" was just another one of the many city functions in which the Post has played an important part.

On my visit to Flora I spent considerable time with the members of Post 14, and I know. I also know that thousands of other Posts spread across our grand nation are similarly dedicated and growing in local leadership. Flora's Post, like many, is active, vital, and not lacking for membership because it has identified itself with projects that help to meet the needs of the community.

A slogan displayed in Post 14's building sums it up with "Help Our City Thru Our Post."

THE END

BRIEFLY

ABOUT BOOKS

Reading matter that may interest you.

Land, Wood & Water, by Senator Robert S. Kerr, FLEET PUBLISHING CORP., \$4.95. An extremely interesting book on one of the most vital problems facing this country, our water and soil conservation program. This may well be considered one of the most important books of the year.

When the Kissing Had To Stop, by Constantine FitzGibbon, W. W. NORTON & CO., \$3.95. A novel which shows what happens when appeasers and defeatists are able to control a nation's policy. An excellent antidote to "On the Beach," a study in yellow.

Known but to God, by Quentin Reynolds, THE JOHN DAY CO., \$3.95. A thrilling account of the Unknowns who lay entombed at Arlington. In telling the story, the author describes WWI, WW2 and the Korean

War in terms of the men who fought so valiantly in these conflicts.

Small Arms of the World, by W. H. B. Smith, STACKPOLE CO., \$15.00. A new and enlarged edition of a book on firearms that is now a classic. The late W. H. B. Smith was a regular contributor to this magazine.

Duel at the Brink, by Roscoe Drummond and Gaston Coblenz, DOUBLEDAY & CO., \$4.50. The era of John Foster Dulles and the way he wielded American power during a number of world crises.

Horsemen Blue and Gray, by Hirst Dillor Milhollen, James Ralph Johnson, and Alfred Hoyt Bill, OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, \$10.00. A pictorial history of the Civil War, the last of the great conflicts in which the Cavalry played a dominant role.

Bold Voices, edited by Richard L. Grossman, DOUBLEDAY & CO., \$5.95. Some of the great speeches made on the floors of Congress on big issues in our nation's history. Represented are Henry Clay, Daniel Webster, John Randolph, Robert M. La Follette, etc.

Americans at War, by T. Harry Williams, LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY PRESS, \$3.50. A concise survey of the system by which our

government has sought to organize and direct our military forces from Revolutionary War days to the present.

Water of Life, by Henry Morton Robinson, SIMON & SCHUSTER, \$5.95. A novel by the author of "The Cardinal." This deals with three American generations and the battle of good against evil that each generation had to fight.

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First Men to the Moon, by Wernher von Braun, HOEL, RINEHART AND WINSTON, \$3.95. What it would be like to make a trip into outer space, land on the moon and return safely to earth.

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WASHINGTON PRO & CON

PRESENTING BOTH SIDES OF BIG ISSUES FACING THE NATION

THIS MONTH'S SUBJECT: Should the United States Abolish Its Civil Defense Agency?



(PRO) After ten years of civil defense planning, the government's ability to protect our civilians is more ineffective than when it began. Americans have been lulled into a feeling of security while over a billion of their tax dollars have been spent to perpetuate a boondoggling, superannuated civil defense agency.

For this huge expenditure, Americans have received a mismanaged bureaucracy which serves only to confuse the public with periodic multi-million dollar doses of psychological plabum.

Our civil defense agency suffers from, among other things, an acute case of split personality. Unbelievable as it may sound, at one and the same time it advocates evacuation and shelter programs. Do we run, hide or both?

Soviet submarines can hurtle rockets 1,500 miles inland allowing us five minutes' warning. Intercontinental ballistic missiles fired from the Soviet Union would permit us 20 minutes' warning at most. The thermonuclear weapon's tremendous destructive power and the missile's great speed make evacuation not only impractical, but impossible. To even consider evacuation is absurd.

The conditions of modern warfare make shelters of little or no use in saving American lives. A shelter system will cost at least \$20 billion. Even then there is no assurance that it will not be completely outmoded by more advanced weapons. I know of no salaried civil defense official in Ohio who has bothered to build one.

I pay tribute to the volunteer civil defense workers who performed often at great risk to themselves. This is in the finest American tradition and will continue long after our present civil defense agency is abolished.

Civil defense today is a myth. The sensible course is to scrap the present setup. Defense of civilians is part of our total defense posture and should be in the hands of those best equipped for it — the leaders of our armed services.

Rather than pour additional billions into a shaky, untried plan for passive defense, more logical is the sound notion that the best defense is a tremendous offense. America's shelter lies in its weapons and its Armed Forces. If we are prepared, we'll never be hit first or at any time.

Stephen M. Young

Stephen M. Young (D)
U.S. Senator from Ohio



(CON) It has been my conviction since early in World War II that a strong civil defense program is essential to the future security of this country. Throughout my service in the Senate I have consistently supported legislation giving American civilians the means to protect life and property and give most effective support to the fighting forces in the event of nuclear warfare, sabotage or hostile invasion.

During 1941-1945, when I was Governor of Florida, some 338,000 Floridians were trained to execute specific roles in the defense of their State and Nation. For example, they patrolled the State's long coastline — some 1,200 miles — when it was discovered that would-be saboteurs were being landed by submarine. It is unrealistic to believe that our present potential enemy is less well-equipped with undersea craft than was Germany. The single task of coast patrol confronting the 24 maritime States creates a tremendous responsibility which our Armed Forces could not possibly assume.

This is just one of the jobs which must be shouldered by civilians for the protection of their families and homes. There are many others, including care of the sick and wounded, and of children and the aged, the maintenance of water supplies, shelter, sanitation and food facilities.

In the event of war our forces will be fully occupied with military duties, leaving them no time to assume the survival functions for which civilians are being trained. Too, our Armed Forces are not equally distributed in all regions of the nation and thus it becomes obvious that civilians must be ready to step into the breach — just as England's Civil Defense Service (CDS) did so effectively while the Battle of Britain was taking place.

In view of the dire possibilities — which constantly increase in gravity through the deadly combination of international distrust and technical inventiveness — it becomes increasingly clear that the Federal Government must assist in providing our civilian population with the leadership, knowledge, equipment and encouragement to defend life and property in the event of war. To do less is to court national disaster on a major scale.

Spessard L. Holland

Spessard Holland (D)
U.S. Senator from Florida



A DIGEST OF EVENTS WHICH ARE OF PERSONAL INTEREST TO YOU

INSURANCE REOPENING BY-PASSED IN LAME DUCK CONGRESS SESSION:

The politically supercharged August meeting of Congress ended without action on HR-11045, the bill that would among other things, have reopened for one year WW2 and Korea NSLI life insurance....The bill had passed the Senate, but the House Rules Committee didn't let it come before the House for final action....So it lay as dead as if defeated....Earlier, the lone objection of Rep. H. Allen Smith, of California, had sent it to the Rules Committee when the House might have voted on it.

LEGION SURE TO ASK FOR CHANGES IN NEW PENSION LAW:

Predictions a year ago by government experts on how the new veterans pension law would work may be wrong by a country mile....As a result, the Legion national convention in October will almost certainly call for significant amendments to the law....Figures so far tend to show that where government "experts" said that 7 out of 10 vets would benefit, it is closer to only 1 in 10....Consequently, those vets with a choice are staying away from the new law in droves.... Those without a choice may be hurt in numbers unpredicted by the predictors... The Legion Rehab Commission is busy amassing all facts available on the law's working so the convention can act from fact rather than fancy....Latest fact-search was a request by Rehab on Aug. 26 to all state service officers for a run-down on what's happened to vets who applied for pension after July 1, compared to how they'd have made out under the old law.

CORRECTION ON "HOUSEBOUND" LAW:

To qualify for the special rate of \$265 a month compensation, a service-disabled veteran must have 60% disability in addition to enough other disability to rate him as "total" or he must be

permanently housebound as a result of his war-disability...."Newsletter" erred last month in saying that he must meet both conditions....This is in reference to the new law PL86-663.

HAWAII BONUS LONG OVER:

Hawaii's bonus for WW2 vets expired nine years ago....Due to a recent error in an Army publication, some Hawaii vets have been applying this year.

"CHANGING TIMES" MAG ISSUES LATEST HOOEY ON VETS AFFAIRS:

Many readers have asked that we "answer" a rather silly article about the federal veterans program that appeared in the September Changing Times, the Kiplinger Magazine.

The Kiplinger article is scarcely worth "answering" because the part that our readers object to is chiefly made up of old saws, clichés, stereotypes and ignorance....Changing Times' editors, believing that they were publishing an "overdue" look at the VA program and veterans legislation, published a rehash of some of the ill-informed and irrelevant anti-veteran propaganda that began appearing in slanted magazine articles more than a dozen years ago.

First half of the Changing Times piece is a fairly competent summary of some of the major veterans benefits....The second half is a shabby and often self-contradictory potpourri of old anti-veteran clichés....The unsigned Kiplinger writer condemned vet organization policies and the Congressional process of writing veterans laws....In so doing he revealed a virtual blackout of knowledge of how vets organizations make policies or how Congress writes veterans legislation....Changing Times' editors believe with religious fervor in the existence of a villainous "veterans lobby", some 4-million strong, whose officials, driven by insatiable greed, annually force ever mounting demands on cowering Congressmen who "do their

bidding."...The editors of Changing Times state such insulting (to Congress) nonsense as sober fact.

Exactly three major pieces of veterans legislation have been enacted in the last ten years--PL550, PL881 and PL86-211.... How did the villainous veterans lobby shove these laws down the throats of the timid, frightened Congressmen?...All three were designed in Congress, by the Congress, on its initiative....PL550 was the Korean GI Bill....Congress tailored it after the Legion-devised WW2 GI Bill....The other two were the inventions of Congress (the survivors benefits act of 1956 and the 1959 veterans pension law)....The Congress relied on the veterans organizations to avoid pitfalls in the early drafts of the bills....In the case of PL881, more than 30 improvements on the original draft of the bill were gratefully accepted by Congress from American Legion experts....Congressmen sought the support of responsible veterans organizations to assure passage of the Congressionally tailored bills....To create PL881, Congress appointed a special, select committee....The other two major bills were drafted originally in the House Veterans Affairs Committee....For 40 years, The American Legion has been asking the Senate to form a veterans affairs committee also, so that the Senate could equal the expertness of the House in this field.

In perpetuating the old cliché of the greedy, all-powerful, irresponsible veterans lobby bullying gutless Congressmen, Changing Times has carefully insulated itself (or at least its readers) from any insight into how veterans laws are really written.

Achilles heel of the Changing Times editors was their unbounded faith in the outdated and discredited Bradley report, one of the most inept studies of veterans affairs that the taxpayers have ever paid for....Lauding the often irrelevant, sometimes childish, frequently self-contradictory Bradley report as the "most comprehensive" such study ever made, much of the article is a rewrite of Bradley piousities....We analyzed them on page 40 of our June, 1956 issue.... They are too old-hat to dig up again.

Knowing little of vets affairs, Changing Times' editors bought a piece shot full with assertions whose support-

ing evidence ranges the gamut of naiveté, irrelevance, error, anonymous gossip, arithmetical incompetence, historical ignorance, prejudice and anachronism.... It falsifies the conditions under which a veteran may enter a VA hospital....It complains that the difference in benefits received by two unnamed veterans is "unfair", but hides from its readers both the entirely reasonable basis for the difference and the fact that the applicable law is no longer on the books....The magazine publishes an Elmo Roper poll to "prove" a contention of its editors that not even the 4,000,000 organized veterans favor the federal veterans program endorsed by their officials....Changing Times did not do the arithmetic that translates the Roper poll into numbers of veterans.

But if the poll was reliable, what it proves is that between 8,775,000 and 19,350,000 veterans favor the different major veterans benefits (from 39% to 86% of 22,500,000 veterans).

Eleven veterans benefits are cited in the Roper poll, with the reactions of veterans to them...Several of the benefits don't exist...The only one favored by less than 4,000,000 veterans is a non-existent benefit that Congress is not considering and no chartered veterans' organization seeks.

At the end, the article tries to scare readers by citing two "staggering" proposals for new veterans benefits, and signs off by hinting that people must band together to "squawk" and thus "make the politicians change their ways"...Typical of the article, the editors failed at this point to tell their readers the highly pertinent fact that the two "staggering" proposals are not supported by the biggest veterans organization, The American Legion.

Had enough?

The American people can be glad that the same Congressmen whom Changing Times pictures as quivering cowards in the hands of the greedy "veterans lobby" have exercised more thoughtful responsibility in writing veterans laws than Changing Times did in writing about them.

"Newsletter" isn't nasty to other magazines by instinct, only for cause...Now go right out and buy the October issue of Cavalier Magazine if you want to read William Bradford Huie's fine, warm story about Sgt. Alvin York, that grand hero of WW1 who deserves better of his country than he's getting as he lies abed in his old age.

OCTOBER 1960

Kennedy And Nixon To Address Convention Delegates This Month

For the first time since 1952, and only the second time in Legion history, the two major party candidates for the Presidency of the United States will address the delegates to an American Legion National Convention.

U.S. Senator John F. Kennedy, the Democratic nominee, will speak at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 18, the opening day of the convention sessions.

Vice President Richard M. Nixon, the Republican standard bearer, will speak at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 20, the closing day of the convention.

Both Vice President Nixon and Senator Kennedy are members of The American Legion. Nixon, a member of Post 51, Whittier (Calif.) and Kennedy, a member of Boston (Mass.) Post 281. The two vice presidential candidates (who are not scheduled to speak at the convention) are also members of the Legion — Henry Cabot Lodge (Rep.), of Beverly Farms (Mass.) Post 46 and Senator Lyndon B. Johnson (Dem.), of Blanco (Tex.) Post 352.

The only other time that the presidential candidates of the two major parties ever addressed the delegates of the same American Legion National Convention was at the 1952 conclave in New York. At that time, General Dwight D. Eisenhower was the Repub-

lican candidate and Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson of Illinois, the Democratic candidate. Eisenhower was elected to his first term as President of the U.S. in November of that year.

It wasn't until 1948 that any presidential candidate appeared before the delegates of an American Legion Nat'l Convention. That year, President Harry S. Truman, who was running on the Democratic ticket for reelection, addressed the delegates at the Miami convention.

In 1956, at Los Angeles, Adlai E. Stevenson, the Democratic candidate for the second time, addressed the Legion delegates to the nat'l convention held in that city.

Thus, presidential candidates have made an appearance at nat'l conventions of The American Legion only three times previous to this year's convention in Miami Beach — 1948, 1952 and 1956.

Even though Kennedy and Nixon are making an official appearance at the national convention this month, the policy of The American Legion — since its first national convention in Minneapolis, Minn., in 1919 — prohibits the endorsement of any candidate for public office.

However, that same policy encourages each member of The American Legion to "perform his full duty as a

citizen, according to his own conscience and understanding."

In view of this policy, Nat'l Commander Martin McKueally recently dispatched a special message from his Washington office to every one of the Legion's State Commanders to follow through harder than ever before with The American Legion Annual "Get Out The Vote Campaign." Said McKueally, "We must — and should — eliminate this neglect of one of the great duties of citizenship."

Other Name Speakers

The list of headline speakers continues to grow as convention time draws near. Scheduled to address the delegates are:

Hon. LeRoy Collins, Governor of Florida; Raymond Triboulet, French Minister of Pensions; Fulton Lewis, Jr., Mutual Broadcasting System; Sumner G. Whittier, Administrator of Veterans Affairs; Miss Clarice Kleine, President of the National Education Association; George Sokolsky, *New York Journal American*.

J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the F.B.I., U. S. Congresswoman Katherine St. George (Rep.-N.Y.); George Meany, President, AFL-CIO; Robert Hill, U. S. Ambassador to Mexico; Admiral Arleigh Burke, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, President of the American Red Cross.

Defense Matters

National defense readiness will be given a first hand look by members of the Legion's National Security Committee. (Continued on page 34)

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES AT PAST LEGION NATIONAL CONVENTIONS



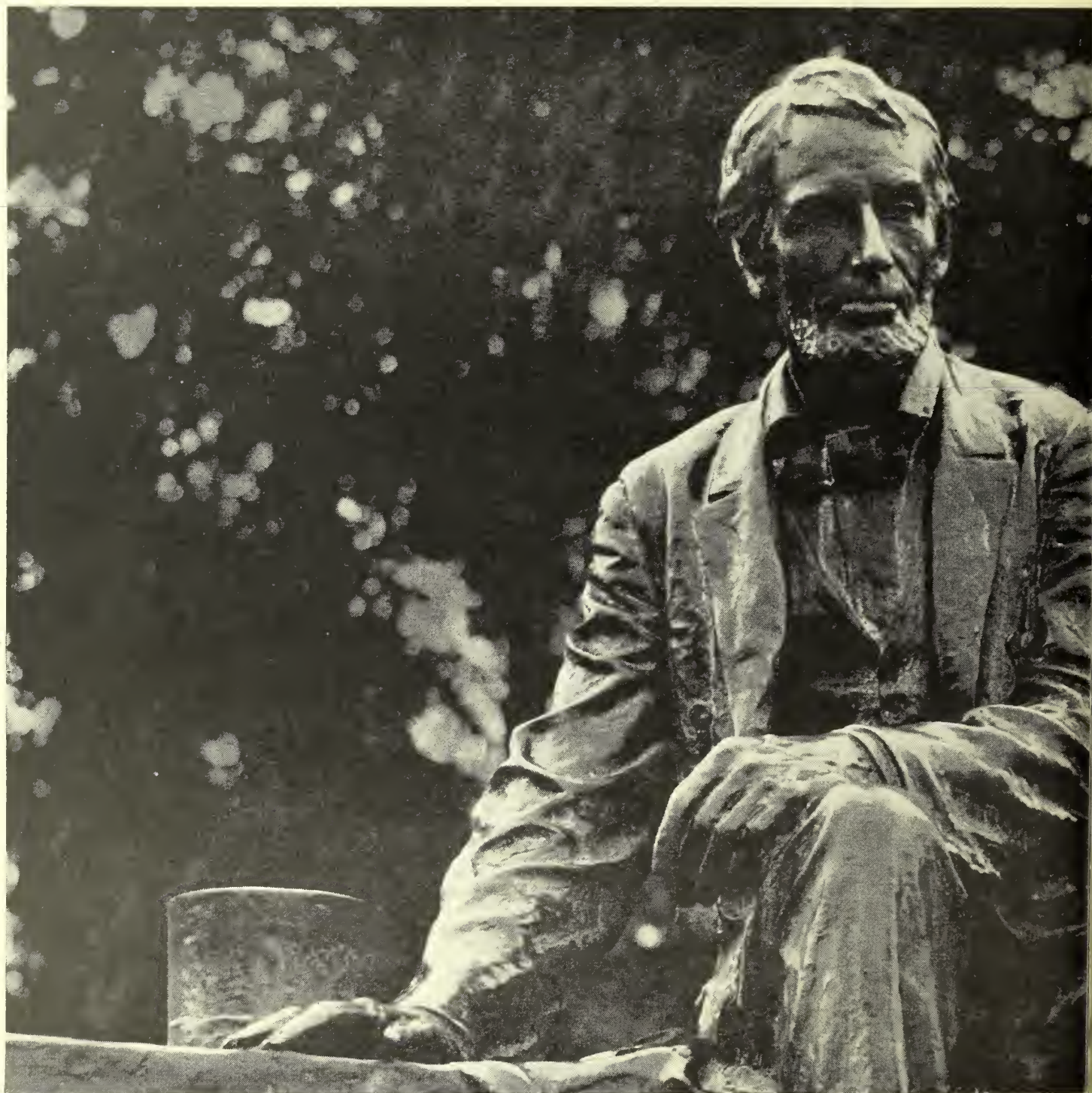
Truman — Miami, 1948



Eisenhower — New York, 1952



Stevenson — Los Angeles, 1956



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AMERICA'S INDEPENDENT ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANIES

KENNEDY & NIXON

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sion several days prior to the opening of the convention.

The commission will begin its two-day session with an anti-submarine warfare demonstration at the Naval Operations Base, Key West, Fla. At high level briefings, commission members will hear many outstanding defense experts outline current national defense matters.

Some of the speakers who will appear at this two day defense briefing are:

Gen. Curtis Lemay, U. S. Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff; Wilfred J. McNeil, President of Grace Lines and former Assistant Secretary of Defense; Lt. Gen. Arthur Trudeau, Chief of Army Research and Development; Adm. William Raborn, Chief of the Polaris Missile Program; Brig. Gen. S. L. A. Marshall, Military Editor of *The Detroit News*.

Leo A. Hoegh, Director, Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization; Gen. Elwood "Pete" Quesada, Administrator of the Federal Aviation Agency; Robert Lobelson, President of Aviation Space Writers Association; Rep. George H. Mahon (D-Tex.), chairman of the House Defense Appropriations Subcommittee.

The 42nd National Convention will be held at Miami Beach, Oct. 15-20.

MEMBERSHIP:

Still The Lifeline

The 1961 membership year for The American Legion officially starts this month on October 20.

For the 42nd year, membership chairmen in the Legion's far-flung 58 department empire (continental and overseas) will again concentrate on enrolling as many of the millions of eligible veterans of WW1, WW2 and the Korean Conflict as possible into The American Legion, still the world's largest veterans organization.

Complete planning booklets for the 1961 campaign, titled "Full Speed Ahead," have already been mailed in quantity to each Department Headquarters in order to kindle an early momentum for the local membership drives.

Past experience has proven that October and November are generally the two best months for concentrating membership drives — while the post chairmen are still fresh with ideas and enthusiasm.

The four target dates for the 1961 campaign are the same as in previous years: Oct. 20 — the "kickoff" date and the beginning of AL (American Legion) Weeks; Nov. 11 — Veterans Day; Dec.

Results of 1960 Flag Photo Contest →

Winner of our 1960 Flag Photo Contest is Wayne E. Homan, of Reading, Pa., a member of Post 537, Morgantown, Pa. His well-composed photo of a Revolutionary War artillery piece with an early American flag framed in its wheel-spokes, came out on top of nearly 450 photos submitted by members of The American Legion and its affiliates.

An eye for striking composition of highly appropriate subject matter, which he called "Symbols of Liberty: Valley Forge" got Mr. Homan the \$100 first prize.

The judges were glad they didn't have to rate all the other prize winners in exact order.

Winners of the 1960 U.S. Camera Annual (2nd to 10th places) were:

David S. Strickler (three of the first ten) of Annville, Pa. (Post 420, Steelton, Pa.); *Milton R. Kiefer*, Staten Island, N.Y. (Post 385, New York, N.Y.); *Joseph W. Marshall*, Post 11, Seattle, Wash.; *George E. Sharley*, of Flint, Mich. (Post 413, Grand Blanc, Mich.); *Robert T. Baxter*, Post 35, Union, N.J.; *Harry Freeman*, of Newport, R.I. (Post 1, Providence, R.I.); and *Lt. Col. Charles L. Willmarth*, USAF, stationed on Iwo Jima (Post 396, Geneva, N.Y.).

Winners of Annin & Co., Executive Desk Set Stand of Colors with 50-star U.S. Flag (11th to 16th places) were:

Harley Frederick, Post 61, Sacramento, Calif.; *David Strickler* (two of these in addition to three of the first ten); *Joseph Marshall* (one of these in addition to one of the first ten); *Mrs. Leonard Fischer*, of Auxiliary Unit 125, Eads, Colo.; *Peter J. Simonini*, of Elgin, Ill. (Post 670, Algonquin, Ill.).

Two entrants pulled the unexpected as every judge placed more than one of their entries in the top 16. (Judges weren't permitted to know who the contestants were and all pix got their prizes on their photographic merits). David Strickler, of Annville, Pa., pulled a small slam, with five prizes of a possible five. Mr. Homan's lone entry that topped first was all that kept his fellow Pennsylvanian, Strickler, from a grand slam. Joseph Marshall, of Seattle, Wash., had two winners, one in the first ten, and one in the last six. Strickler's and

Marshall's entries showed that they weren't novices at pointing a camera at striking U.S. flag scenes.

At least 100 photos entered had more than a little of the stuff that prize winners are made of. Some that ended out of running were extremely well-composed and thought out in their foreground matter, but failed to avoid that bugaboo of all camera fans, a cluttered and irrelevant (hence distracting) background. Mr. Homan's winner is a good

LIFE BEGINS AT ???:

Wayne Homan, on being notified he'd won our \$100 flag photo contest, identified himself as follows:

A veteran of WW1 and WW2 and the Korean Conflict. A Legionnaire since the Paris organization meeting in 1919, which he attended. A founder of one of the first Posts in Berks County, Pa. Retired from the Army for 100% disability after having been Commanding Officer of CIC in the Far East under Gen. MacArthur in WW2, and an intelligence officer during the Korean Conflict.

"Three years ago the doctors advised I take up some time-consuming hobby . . . I turned to amateur photography, learning darkroom work from scratch. . . This is the first time I entered a contest. . . On receiving first prize . . . you should have heard the whoops and squeals of my family."

example of one way that such distraction is avoided or minimized.

Quite a few of some very good non-winners may yet realize some recognition, under the special contest rule that provides that this magazine may make an offer for publication rights to any entry in the contest that may be suitable to fill future editorial needs.

Entries came from all over the world. Several came from men on duty on Iwo Jima, and showed the top of Mt. Suribachi, scene of the famous Iwo Jima flag-raising in WW2, as it is today. The more striking of these, photographically, placed in the first ten.

Several of the top 16 are shown here, in addition to the first prize winner. The necessity to reduce them in size, as well as loss of quality in reproduction, deprives our readers of the full impact of the originals.

31; and March 15, 1961 — the wind-up date and 42nd birthday of The American Legion.

The largest year in membership for the Legion was in 1946 immediately following the return of millions of WW2 service men to civilian life. That year the membership total was 3,326,556.

Membership figures stayed over the 3-million mark during 1948 and 1949 and then dropped below that figure for the first time in 1950. In 1958, the figure dropped below the 2,700,000 mark but in 1959 went back up to 2,702,992.

This year, 16 Departments have sur-
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SYMBOLS OF LIBERTY: VALLEY FORGE

1ST PRIZE

Homan



NEW STARS FOR OLD GLORY

Some Prize Winners

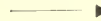


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MEMBERSHIP

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passed their nationally assigned goals, 5 have set new all-time highs, and 18 have exceeded their official total 1959 membership.

But even in view of these encouraging gains, total membership figures on Aug. 25th still showed a decrease of 23,663 members as was reported for the same date in 1959. Fifteen Departments on this date were still more than 1,000 members short of the total they had signed up in 1959.

On the credit side, the Department of the Philippines had set its 3rd consecutive all-time high record, Minnesota, its 4th, and North Dakota, its 9th.

South Dakota exceeded the 30,000 mark for the first time since 1949 and Rhode Island exceeded its quota for the 8th consecutive year.

There was a total of 16,753 chartered posts in The American Legion on Aug. 25, 1960. New York led the way with 1,311 posts and a membership of 212,993. Next came Illinois with 1,112 posts and a membership of 207,752.

Following in close order were these Departments: Pennsylvania — 945 Posts and 249,428 members (the largest membership); California — 803 Posts and 137,674 members; Ohio — 731 Posts and 114,882 members; Texas — 698 Posts and 76,537 members; Iowa — 663 Posts and 95,635 members and Minnesota — 632 Posts and 94,610.

Interestingly, Indiana, with only 452 Posts showed a membership of 107,211 and Massachusetts with 436 Posts showed 84,647 members.

JUNIOR BASEBALL:

New Orleans Champs

The 1960 national junior baseball championship of The American Legion went south this year when a hale and hearty group of baseball maestros from New Orleans, La., took possession of the title at Hastings, Nebr., in early September.

The new champs, sponsored by Creseent City American Legion Post #125, won the coveted title in the final playoff of the 15-game series by defeating Billings, Mont., 9 to 3.

It is the third national title for a New Orleans team. The city also had a winning entry in 1932 and 1946. Five other times — in 1929, 1930, 1934, 1937 and 1956 — a New Orleans team was the runnerup in the national playoffs.

The 1960 series, with eight teams taking part, attracted record crowds, estimated to be approximately 29,000 spectators. Tournament officials attributed the greater attendance to the fact that eight teams played instead of four as in past years and also because Hastings, site of the series, was one of the 8 team entries.

An opening day heavy rain caused the series to go an extra day to Sept. 4.

Regional winners in the 1960 finals besides New Orleans and Billings were Pittsfield, Mass., Miami, Fla., Brooklawn, N.J., Klamath Falls, Oreg., and Berwyn, Ill.

The new champs won five of their six playoff games in the Little World Series in their quest for the biggest trophy in Legion baseball. The only team they did not play was the Berwyn entry which

had been eliminated on the third day of the tournament.

Pittsfield played New Orleans twice and was the only team to inflict a loss on the new champions.

In its first series game — against Klamath Falls — New Orleans won 2-0 on a superb two-hitter by pitcher, Dick Roniger.

In order to win its second game, New Orleans had to rally for four runs in the eighth inning to beat Hastings, 4 to 1.

Pittsfield inflicted the only loss on New Orleans by beating the champs 4 to 1 the first time they met. Again the New Orleans pitcher had pitched a classy two-hitter but four errors by his teammates cost him the game.

Later in the series, New Orleans avenged this only defeat by beating the same Pittsfield team 6 to 1 for its fourth win.

The champs' third win came a day earlier when they defeated the Miami entry 6 to 5 in the only extra inning game of the series — finally decided in the 11th inning.

In the game against Billings for the title, Dick Roniger, ace New Orleans pitcher, hurled his team to a 9 to 3 victory with a six-hitter. In addition, he collected one of the scoring singles in the explosive 7-run-sixth inning for the winners.

Of the three outstanding awards made at the close of the series, two of them went to one player — centerfielder Robert Fry of the Billings team. He won the tournament batting title for his .460 average and also the Legion Sportsmanship Award — given on the basis of his good sportsmanship and general attitude.

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be held and the cars awarded on Sun., Oct. 16, 1960 at Miami's Orange Bowl during the Drum & Bugle Corps Finals. All entries must be received no later than midnight, Friday, October 14, 1960.

The 1960 American Legion Player of the Year Award went to Dick Roniger, the 17-year-old pitcher of the championship New Orleans team. His pitching record for the 1960 season was 14 wins and 3 losses.

This year's Little World Series was the 34th to be played since the first one was played in Philadelphia in 1926. There were no series games in 1927.

LEGION EDUCATION: School By Mail

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POSTS IN ACTION

Items from our 16,753 posts. Those of most general interest and widest geographical spread are selected, with apologies for the hundreds of others that are so kindly reported to the editors.

X-rays — Post 5, Pittsburgh, Pa., the state's largest post in membership, sponsored a free chest x-ray clinic for one week in August for 6,285 persons in the community. Members of the post and auxiliary unit donated 550 man-hours in registering the clinic-goers.

Joy Ride — Post 1059, Brooklyn, N. Y., took 1,100 children by ferry boat from the city's steaming streets and sidewalks in late August to the famous Rye (N.Y.) Beach and Playland for a day's outing.

A few weeks earlier, the same post contributed \$1,000 to the Brooklyn

Catholic Archdiocese school fund for the construction of new high schools in Brooklyn and Queens.

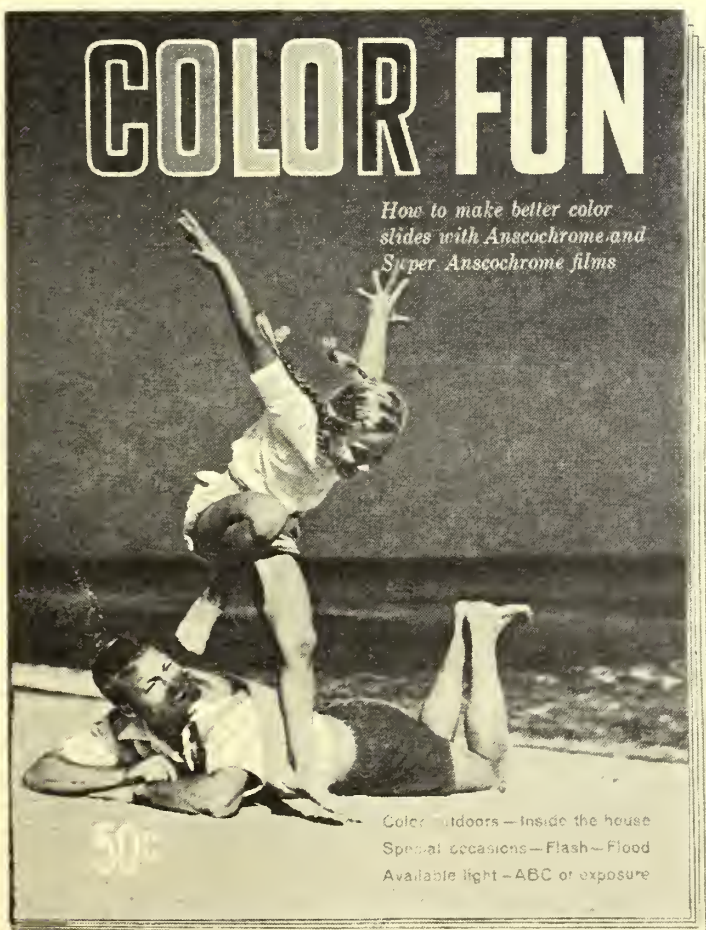
More Clinics — Post 74, West Warwick, R. I., has been conducting low cost anti-polio clinics since 1957. Some 5,965 shots have been given to date in 12 clinics. 1,118 people of all ages were inoculated on last June 19.

Hey Team!—Post 46, Ann Arbor, Mich., which boasts the state's largest membership, has signed up the entire football coaching staff of the University of Michigan as members.

Good Sports — Post 61, Perham, Minn., donated \$450 to the Perham Sportsman's Club to be used for the improvement and purchase of public access to lakes in that area.

Real Homelike — Post 294, Pemberton, N.J., conducted a successful Youth Vacation Program this past summer as a community service project. Underprivileged children from the area were taken into the homes of post members for periods up to one month and given all the advantages of real home family life.

Scholarships — Post 191, Webster City, Iowa, has established a local Legion Scholarship Foundation which will dis-



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Alert! — Post 496, Long Beach, Calif., has instituted a community education program on the evils of communism by distributing hundreds of free copies of FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover's book "Masters of Deceit" to schools, hospitals, civic buildings, civic groups and organizations, and interested citizens in the area.

Emergency Vehicle — Post 187, Wisconsin Dells, Wis., purchased and presented a new rescue squad truck to the Kilbourn Volunteer Fire Department.

Bill of Rights — Post 1217, New York City, presented a public program for the 17th consecutive year on the steps of the Federal Hall National Memorial commemorating the Birthday of our Bill of Rights. The distinguished jurist, Judge Harold R. Medina, was given the Bill of Rights Defense Gold Medal at the ceremony.

Polio Shots — Post 1248, Coal Valley, Ill., sponsored three low cost polio vaccine clinics recently. A total of 483 shots was given to the citizens of this small community.

New Industry — Post 129, Hillsboro, Ohio, led the way in the drive to bring a new industry into town by pledging up to \$1,000 investment in debenture bonds for that purpose. The post voluntarily made the pledge ahead of all other civic groups.

Hospital Fund — Post 125, Gulfport, Fla., recently donated \$1,000 to the Florida American Legion Hospital for Crippled Children.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS:

COL. ROSCOE TURNER, internationally known aviation pioneer and speed flyer, vice chmn of the Legion's Nat'l Security Commission, appointed as a special consultant to the House Committee on Science and Astronautics.

HERBERT J. JACOBI, chmn of the Legion's Nat'l Internal Affairs Commission, elected chmn of the District of Columbia Parole Board.

DANIEL W. SHAUB, Dep't Adj't of the Pennsylvania American Legion since 1953, elected honorary past Dep't Cmdr by a unanimous vote at the department's July convention in Philadelphia.

NORMAN E. MYERS of Oakwood, Ill.,

appointed as a consultant in The American Legion Nat'l Child Welfare Division, effective Aug. 15.

LYMAN STUCKEY of Lexington, Nebr., has been named Nat'l Executive Committeeman for the Nebraska American Legion to fill the unexpired term of the late John E. Curtiss.

Died:

PAUL CUNNINGHAM, immediate past president and director of public affairs of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) and author of "Songwriting Soldiers and Sailors" in the July issue of The American Legion Magazine; on Aug. 14, in New York City.

EARL C. HITCHCOCK, past Dep't Cmdr of the New York American Legion (1946-47), vice chmn of the Legion's Nat'l Publications Commission and a member of this commission since 1948, an editorial staff member of The Glens Falls (N.Y.) Times for 40 years; on Aug. 15, in Albany, N.Y.

BRIG. BEN. WILLIAM W. WELSH, director of pilot training in the U.S. during WW2, and Nat'l Security Commission Technical Advisor to the Legion's Nat'l Cmdr (1950-51); on July 28, in Washington, D.C.

FEDERAL JUDGE ROBY C. THOMPSON, past Dep't Cmdr (1930-31) and Nat'l Executive Committeeman (1931-33) of the Virginia American Legion; on July 29, in Charlottesville, Va.

GEORGE M. CLANCY, past Dep't Cmdr of the New York American Legion, former member of the Legion's Nat'l Distinguished Guests Committee (1936-37) and the Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission (1938-41); on Aug. 2, in Rochester, N.Y.

ALBERT S. LLEWELLYN, past Dep't Cmdr of the South Carolina American Legion (1930-31) and member of the board of directors of the Legion Publishing Corp. (1933-36); on July 3, in Camden, S.C.

JUDGE STEPHEN S. JONES, past Dep't Adj't (1920-22) and former alternate Nat'l Executive Committeeman (1922-24) of the Kentucky American Legion; on July 10, in Louisville, Ky.

BRIEFLY NOTED:

● When two Junior American Legion Baseball teams from Massachusetts — one sponsored by Post 59 of Milford and the other by Post 229 of South Deerfield — were playing each other one day this past July, the South Deerfield pitcher lost one of his contact lenses

during a windup pitch. A long search for the lost lens produced no results. So the 800 hometown Milford fans dug deep into their pockets and contributed \$137.63 to buy new lenses for the young opposing pitcher.

● The November 1960 issue of CAVALIER MAGAZINE will carry an article about The American Legion titled "He's Invisible to Legionnaires." The story is woven around the National Adjutant, E. A. "Blackie" Blackmore and the Indianapolis headquarters of the Legion. Watch for it on the newsstands about October 1.

● The Dep't of Ohio spent \$17,435 on its "Gifts For Yanks" program last year. The largest expenditure — \$11,554 — was for canteen books, a Christmas menu and a \$1,000 gift shop contribution to the 5 VA hospitals in the state which benefited some 6,000 patients.

● The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary and the Eight and Forty spent \$6,976,001.81 on child welfare and youth activities during the year ending May 31, 1960. This was \$300,000 more than the Legion and its affiliates spent in 1959.

OUTFIT REUNIONS

Reunion will be held in month indicated. For particulars, write person whose address is given.

Notices accepted on official form only. For form send stamped, addressed return envelope to: O. R. Form, American Legion Magazine, 720 Fifth Ave., New York 19, N.Y. Notices should be received at least four months before scheduled reunion.

Army

2nd Trench Mortar Bn, Btry B (WW1)—(Jan.) Clyde S. Trester, 14425 So. Edbrooke Ave., Riverdale 27, Ill.
8th Inf (WW1)—(Nov.) Henry M. Buckley, 375 Ninth St., San Francisco 3, Calif.
11th Engrs (WW1)—(Nov.) Joseph V. Boyle, 326 York St., Jersey City 2, N.J.
12th Army Gp Assoc.—(Oct.) Harry D. Henshel, Bulova Watch Co., 630 Fifth Ave., New York 20, N.Y.
32nd Cav Recon Tp, 32nd Div (WW2)—(Oct.) Gilbert E. Yeske, 112 So. Rusk Ave., Sparta, Wis.
45th Inf Div (WW2)—(Oct.) Harry Dobbyn, P.O. Box 88, Abilene, Tex.
80th FA, Btry D, 7th Div (WW1)—(Nov.) Frank Werner, 3525 Alton Place, N.W., Washington, D.C.
104th Engrs, Co B—(Nov.) George F. Seybold, 117 E. Homestead Ave., Collingswood 7, N.J.
108th Inf, Hdqs Co (WW1)—(Nov.) R. E. Gardiner, 10 Bennett Village Terrace, Buffalo, N.Y.
142nd Inf, Co L, 36th Inf Div (WW2)—(Nov.) Buck Sheppard, Box 773, Breckenridge, Tex.
148th Inf, Co D, 37th Div—(Oct.) Peter K. Sun, Jr., 1342 Foster Ave., Toledo 6, Ohio
168th Inf, Co M (WW2)—(Oct.) Elwin Diehl, 101 W. Grimes St., Red Oak, Iowa
332nd Engrs G.S. Regt—(Nov.) Robert A. Moore, 9714 S. Avers Ave., Evergreen Park, Ill.
504th AAA Bn—(Oct.) Joseph J. Jackson, 2115 Rockledge St., Pittsburgh 12, Pa.
704th MP Bn—(Nov.) Bernard C. Hogan, 24 Walnut St., Everett 49, Mass.
Evacuation Hospital #8 (WW1)—(Nov.) W. K. Van Arsdale, 303 North Ave., Greer, S.C.

Navy

2nd Naval Dist Reserve Band (WWI)—(Nov.) Samuel Silverman, 680 County Road, Barrington, R.I.

USS Leedstown—(Nov.) Frank A. Wiseman, 104 West 83rd St., New York 24, N.Y.

1 SS Solace (WWI)—(Nov.) Dr. Richard A. Kern, Temple University Hospital, 3401 North Broad St., Philadelphia 40, Pa.

Air

96th Bombardment Gp—(Oct.) Lt. Col. Edward J. Hertel, Director of Administrative Services, 96th Bombardment Wing, Dyess Air Force Base, Tex.

COMRADES IN DISTRESS

Readers who can help these comrades are urged to do so.

Notices are run at the request of The American Legion Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission. They are not accepted from other sources.

Readers wanting Legion help with claims should contact their local service officers.

Service officers unable to locate needed witnesses for claims development should refer the matter to the Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission through normal channels, for further search before referral to this column.

Navy

USNGD, Port Hueneme, Hawaii CB Maintenance Unit 581—Wilson Robert Bighie, while attached to the above unit, fell from a G.I. truck during an accident near Hickam Air Field in 1944. He suffered a leg and hip injury and was treated at the dispensary of an Ammo Depot located 4 or 5 miles from Pearl Harbor. Anyone who remembers this accident, please write the above

named veteran at RFD #24, Box 693, Albany, Ga. Claim pending.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS:

The citation of an individual Legionnaire to life membership in his Post is a testimonial by those who know him best that he has served The American Legion well.

Below are listed some of the previously unpublished life memberships that have been reported to the editors. They are arranged by States.

James Y. Baxter (1960), Post 1, Phoenix, Ariz.
John H. Brief and **Elmer Wunderle** (both 1960), Post 6, San Diego, Calif.

Jose Reyes and **Ray E. Tucker** (both 1950) and **Jesse J. Corning** (1954), Post 85, Lynwood, Calif.
J. Robert Moore (1960), Post 292, Albany, Calif.
Irving Cohen (1960), Post 522, Los Angeles, Calif.

James Greenwood (1960), Post 3, Ramah, Colo.
Joe B. Martinez and **F. A. McCunniff** and **T. C. McKenzie** and **W. R. Nielsen** (all 1960), Post 148, Antonito, Colo.

Michael Curcio and **Leon Plant** and **F. B. Wilson** (all 1959), Post 96, West Hartford, Conn.
Henry Krajewski (1959), Post 1006, Chicago, Ill.

Joseph Weinberger (1960), Post 32, Pittsfield, Maine.

Engene Davis (1957) and **Clarence Stamper** (1958), Post 183, Parkville, Md.

Walter C. Moats (1955) and **Daniel Wagner** (1958), Post 199, Odenton, Md.

R. Jess Chaillet (1959), Post 206, North Beach, Md.

Lester Mose, Sr. (1959), Post 236, Sharpsburg, Md.

Francis A. Jameson (1957), Post 238, Hughesville, Md.

Charles M. Dorman and **Edward A. Dowling** and **Robert S. Moser** (all 1960), Post 261, White Oak, Md.

John A. Sunday (1960), Post 140, Detroit, Mich.

Robert F. Chan (1960), Post 87, Alexandria, Minn.

Jens Tveit and **O. Leslie Tveit** (both 1960), Post 371, Roosevelt, Minn.

Roy A. Phillips (1959), Post 89, Walthill, Nebr.

John I. Kirk (1960), Post 101, Newark, N. J.
John F. Feuske, Jr. and **Harold M. Stahmer** (both 1960), Post 500, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Harold Turner (1960), Post 678, New York, N. Y.

J. Franklin Bonner (1957) and **Lee Downs** and **Charles Tower** (both 1960), Post 954, Churchville, N. Y.

Lester A. Levy (1960), Post 1011, Brooklyn, N. Y.
E. M. Maurer (1960), Post 1298, Port Ewen, N. Y.

Joseph S. Marhefka (1959), Post 1305, Binghamton, N. Y.

Allen Cameron, Sr. (1959), Post 1308, Pine Bush, N. Y.

Fred L. Hackenburg, Jr. (1960), Post 1369, Staten Island, N. Y.

Arthur E. Uness and **J. R. Weed** and **George J. Zalusky** (all 1960), Post 2, Fargo, N. Dak.

Harold J. Warner (1927) and **Ernest O. Burrows** (1947), Post 23, Pendleton, Oreg.

William H. Andrews (1960), Post 153, Philadelphia, Pa.

Donald E. Wagner (1959), Post 287, Milroy, Pa.

H. S. Bitner and **S. R. Larimer** and **C. E. Pickett** (all 1960), Post 515, Latrobe, Pa.

Dan C. Shope and **Calvin Thomas** (both 1959) and **Harry L. Kidwell, Sr.** (1960), Post 552, Blandburg, Pa.

William F. Cumberland and **Luther Hopkins** and **Frederick M. Jackson** (all 1960), Post 733, Harrisburg, Pa.

A. W. Bales (1951), Post 277, Lampasas, Tex.

Walter Chandler (1960), Post 8, South Boston, Va.

Knutte Neby (1960), Post 98, Cumberland, Wis.

Post Commanders or Adjutants are asked to report life membership awards to "Life Memberships." The American Legion Magazine, 720 5th Ave., New York 19, N. Y. Date of award is requested in all cases. Receipt of names cannot be acknowledged.

Life memberships in Maryland, West Virginia and Ohio are only accepted if received via the Department Adjutant, in conformity with state Legion policy.

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7. Change in a wart or mole.

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SOCIETY

For one thing, the rations issued by the Germans were a joke. Breakfast was "coffee" made from some parched grain — nothing more. Lunch consisted of a soup of dried grains or vegetables; if any horsemeat was available it was added to the soup. At three o'clock in the afternoon, dinner was served: two or three boiled potatoes. Together with one-seventh of a loaf of black bread per man, and an occasional spoonful of ersatz jam, this was the food issued to our prisoners by the nazis.

Almost as trying as the scarcity of food was the lack of cigarettes. Shortages of both cut deeply into prisoner morale. There is no telling what the shattering effects would have been were it not for the International Red Cross.

This great organization did everything humanly possible to ease the terrible strain of POW life. In fact, next to mail from home, the one thing prisoners looked forward to was the arrival of a Red Cross parcel.

Most of the contents of these parcels were identical, with some small variations to accommodate national preferences. As often as possible the Red Cross tried to include a touch of home in its packages. For example, those meant for British POW's included tea, bully beef and pudding. American parcels contained instant coffee, corned beef and Spam. Since both American and British prisoners were in this German compound both types of parcels were received at the stalag.

Unfortunately, the packages were often mixed up. The Germans didn't give a hoot who got which parcel, and dealt them out indiscriminately. About half the time the British received the parcels meant for Americans and vice versa. It might seem to be a small difference, but it was precisely this difference that put Jerry Gordon in business, and made an Entrepreneur of a POW.

The Germans did not allow newcomers to work, so time often hung heavily on their hands. As a result there was much visiting back and forth between American and British prisoners. During one of his "social calls" to the British barracks, Jerry heard an English tail gunner complain bitterly that he had been deprived of his precious tea ration because of the usual mix-up in parcels. Instead, he was stuck with a useless (to him) allotment of instant coffee. The wheels in Jerry's mind began to grind.

Since this Britisher had received an American parcel, he reasoned, there was obviously an American with a British ration. And the chances were excellent that the American would prefer coffee to the tea he had received. Why not swap? If it was too much trouble for the

Britisher to hunt up the tea Jerry would do it for him — for a price.

Jerry's offer to engineer this trade was quickly accepted. For his services he demanded, and received, a commission of one cigarette.

Soon, word of Jerry's trading services spread through the camp. Under the very noses of the German guards an American "middleman" was operating a highly profitable enterprise. For the non-smokers in the camp this was a special boon, since it meant they could trade



"Too bad you can't come along tomorrow, Clyde, and hear my child psychologist explain to my mom why I did this."

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their cigarette supply for extra food. There were many prisoners to whom a cigarette was as important as tea, coffee, Spam or bully beef. Others would rather have had the hard, bittersweet K-ration chocolate than raisins or prunes in the parcels. Here again Jerry put his nimble brain to work.

He made up a complete price list, using cigarettes as the basic money. A set value was given every item, and Jerry's appraisal was the final word. K-ration chocolate, for example, was worth three cigarettes, a tin of Spam was worth five, while a can of margarine commanded four cigarettes. If no buyer was available for any one item Jerry would buy it himself for future trading. But, with every transaction, he took his one-cigarette commission.

Jerry Gordon did a brisk business. Soon he had accumulated a small store of smokes and provisions, and was running a sort of POW PX. The arrival of Red Cross packages saw a steady stream of traffic between the various barracks

in the compound and his "shop." For a time at least, the activities were kept under cover since no one knew how the guards would react.

But it couldn't last forever. An especially thorough German noncom finally discovered Jerry's stores. The sergeant's eyes popped when he saw the cigarettes, K-ration chocolate, lump sugar and powdered milk. It looked as if Jerry was not only out of business, but in for some disciplinary action as well. He was immediately taken to the orderly room for questioning. We waited glumly.

When he returned to the barracks later the grin on his face was literally from ear to ear. Not only was he to be permitted to continue operations, but the guards "wanted in" on it! They'd like to trade too, especially for our American cigarettes, which were superior to anything they had known before.

Jerry, the businessman, saw the possibilities in such a setup, but realized that he did not have sufficient capital to carry out all his plans. Accordingly, he paid a visit to Sgt. "Pops" Allen.

In a giant poker game the previous day "Pops" had been the big winner, so he had a goodly supply of cigarettes. After listening to the proposition, he agreed to become Jerry's partner. Now the wily Gordon really went to work.

He traded big with the Germans. For cigarettes he received flour, eggs, yeast, tins of jam in assorted flavors. With the help of a flight engineer he constructed some stoves out of German water cans. Soon the Gordon "bakery" was going full tilt producing cakes and tarts. It was incredible! Here was a group of prisoners, deep in the heart of Germany, enjoying freshly baked pastries! Even the Germans bought them. The business grew so large that Jerry had to hire GI guards for his ovens and stores.

Then, very early in 1945, the little world of Jerry Gordon collapsed. Word came that the prison compound was to be broken up in stages, and that in due time all the prisoners would be re-assigned to other stalags. It would be impossible for Jerry to take his ovens and machines with him. Tycoon Gordon was put out of business!

Jerry took the news stolidly. To "Pops" Allen, who would remain behind until the last contingent was moved, he sold his share of the corporation. The commodities left over he sold or traded for cigarettes and some tinned food. When it was time for him to leave, Jerry's barracks bag was crammed full of precious goods, much more than he alone could carry.

Knowing Jerry, it is easy to understand that he could have made a deal with some of the train guards to take

care of his possessions. He had the knack of swinging a deal.

But, five minutes before the trucks came, this shrewd, inventive air corpsman, this product of a grubby childhood and a dog-eat-dog environment, seemed to melt. He didn't say a word, and his actions took everyone by surprise.

Jerry reached into his barracks bag and began to fling his stock at the open-mouthed GI's. The packs of cigarettes and chocolates went sailing through the air, caught on the fly by amazed but

appreciative POW's. When he stopped, less than one-quarter of the bag had anything in it.

Then he took a long look around. Without a word, but with a wry grin and a jaunty wave of his hand, Jerry Gordon strode out of the barracks, climbed aboard the waiting truck and was driven out of the compound.

The price of cigarettes keeps rising but I can't get too excited about it. I keep thinking of Jerry Gordon and his POW PX. THE END

THERE ARE NO COMMUNISTS IN HOLLYWOOD

(Continued from page 23)

you forgotten what happened—so soon?"

She didn't get it at first. I looked at her and said, "Do you know who wrote 'Hamlet'?"

"Why," she said, "of course. Shakespeare."

I explained that was the popular assumption. But I pointed out that there were many other theories: I have some books which claim the famous play was really written by (1) Bacon; (2) Marlowe; (3) the Earl of Rutland; (4) Edward de Vere; (5) (6) (7) and (8) still others.

"So?" she asked, still puzzled.

"Look," I said, exasperatedly, "can't you see it? With all those claimants, this would go to the Supreme Court one day for final adjudication. You know *this* Court and some of its decisions. Anything could happen. Suppose they decide, five to four, that 'Hamlet' was written by Mr. X? And it came out that we had discussed it?"

For a moment, she was silent. Then, as the full impact hit her, she ran screaming down the street, hailed a passing taxi and never did get to see the rest of the show. (My own private opinion, for what it is worth, is that the secret author of "Hamlet" is Dalton Trumbo: he seems to have written everything else — under another name — since he was blacklisted.)

With this background, I now see clearly that the starry-eyed groups I mistook for communists in the period between 1936 and 1951 were really genuine American patriots in the tradition of Jefferson. I now realize that my own Guild, the Screen Writers, was never in danger of being dominated by reds, but was merely in the hands of a group of dedicated agrarian reformers who simply wanted to take the vast acres owned by the absentee landlords of Warner's, MGM, Paramount, Columbia, Universal *et al.*, and redistribute them to the peasants and workers who made up the Guild. And if you say there was bombing and bloodshed in the four movie strikes between 1945 and 1947, I must remind you that the ruling class never listens to reason: the Polish landlords

fought bitterly against the Russian Army of liberation; Mao Tse-tung took up arms only when the bourgeoisie refused to listen to dialectic materialism. Even the sainted Fidel Castro, in our own backyard, has found that in carrying out agrarian reforms, wholesale executions are inevitable.

I think I am now in a position to clear up the mysterious case of the Hollywood Anti-Nazi League. Practically everybody in Hollywood—Jewish or Gentile—joined that one, except me: I was in one of my more manic phases and I knew I was anti-Nazi, but I wasn't so sure about the League. I offered to join and donate \$500 if they would change the name to "Anti-Nazi and Anti-Communist League."

The bribe was turned down but they went along merrily. I must admit, without me. There were all sorts of meetings and speeches and appeals for contributions followed by donations that made my tiny bribe offer seem like pin money. And then along came the so-called Hitler-Stalin Pact. And overnight the Hollywood Anti-Nazi League vanished — completely and utterly — into thin air. Nothing remained: all was still; no more meetings, no more solicitations, no more speeches. Not even an office or a desk. Oh, of course, other organizations immediately sprang up — where you could hear the same speakers and similar appeals for funds — but these had a new theme song of peace, "The Yanks Aren't Coming." But of the Anti-Nazi League itself, nothing.

Now a good many liberals were puzzled by this — but even more puzzled by the Pact itself, which seemed on the surface to be contradictory. From the evidence I now have, it was not a pact between Stalin and Hitler at all: it was a pact between the freedom-loving peoples of the U.S.S.R. and the democratic Germans who resided — and still reside — in East Germany. *That* pact has never been repudiated: it still stands, and Mr. Khrushchev is sworn, in all honor, to uphold it — as he made perfectly clear at Paris. I do not claim that there are no bad Germans in East Germany, but they

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are gradually being weeded out. In one month alone recently, 18,000 of them, realizing the jig was up, fled to the Western imperialists; and at this rate there will soon be nothing but good Germans in the democratic People's Republic.

Let me add another footnote to history. At the Washington hearings of the HUAC, where the Hollywood Ten were martyred in that eventful year of 1947, a group of informers (including such sordid characters as actors Adolphe Menjou, Robert Montgomery and Ronald Reagan, writers Richard Macaulay, Rupert Hughes, Ayn Rand and myself, producer James K. McGuinness, directors Sam Wood and Leo McCarey, and that former labor leader, Roy Brewer) made various allegations of "red" activities in their guilds and unions. The rest of Hollywood — the real Hollywood — did not take this lying down: hundreds of famous stars, directors, writers and producers formed the Committee for the First Amendment and bought thousands of dollars of newspaper space and radio time to denounce both the inquisitors and the informers. They hired a plane, loading it with at least a billion dollars' worth of glamorous movie flesh and flew into Washington to beard the lions in their den. Reinforced at the Capitol by Senators Claude Pepper and Glen Taylor, the intellectuals marched en masse into a Washington hotel and, one and all, made memorable speeches in defense of human liberties and civil rights as well as posing for the photographers and signing autographs. It was a historic occasion and reporters who were present assure me that after Danny Kaye's impassioned appeal for justice—which they rank with Spartacus' address to the gladiators — there wasn't a dry throat in the house.

Nevertheless, the Hollywood Ten went to jail for contempt of Congress. (But time has given them their revenge: according to the late Danton Walker, busts of the Ten now decorate the House of Culture in East Berlin — and you will search that sacred shrine in vain for a bust of any member of the FBI or the HUAC.) And, yielding to misguided public clamor, the movie industry, which under the courageous leadership of Eric Johnston had stuck by the Ten until that time, issued the famous Waldorf Declaration under which it pledged itself not to hire anybody who refused to cooperate with the House Committee except, of course, under the table. That cleared the situation up and left everybody happy.

True, in 1951, at the HUAC hearings held in Los Angeles, sworn witnesses named 298 in the movies as communists; the Committee itself identified four more; and 11 others called to the stand refused to answer the \$64 question. In rebuttal, I would point out that in the 13 years since the Committee for the First

Amendment was formed, the Committee has never taken an ad to say it was wrong about the communist menace nor offered a public word of apology to the red-baiters it attacked in 1947. These are people who believe in Truth and Justice — as they are the first to tell you — and it is inconceivable they would not have done so if they could have put any credence in the alleged testimony. Not long ago, more than a few of them showed their disdain for such sworn testimony by signing their names to a newspaper ad pleading for clemency for Caryl Chessman. The latter martyr's



"All right, you can let it beat whenever you're ready."

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bust, too. I am certain, will one day be enshrined in the House of Culture; a striking effigy has already made its appearance, I am informed, at Mme. Tussaud's famous exhibition in London.

From 1951 till very recently, the industry has lived in comparative quiet. Oh, occasionally — especially at Academy Awards time — the same noisy crew of professional patriots has insisted on seeing communists under the bed and under the table. How laughable these ridiculous charges are can be instanced by the fact that a few years ago an Oscar, for the best screenplay, was awarded to a Robert Rich. The chauvinists immediately denounced the author as a communist; subsequently it developed that there was no such person as Robert Rich, since the name was a nom de plume; and, to this day, the Oscar has not been claimed. A six-year-old should have enough sense to know that if a person doesn't exist, he can't be a communist. *Q.E.D.*

But recently, I regret to say, these parlor Americans have raised a new hue and cry, based on the actions of those

stalwart defenders of the Constitution. Messrs. Sinatra, Kramer and Preminger. Sinatra hired Albert Maltz, one of the famous Ten, to do the script for "The Execution of Private Slovik"; but yielding, alas!, to the pressures of the mob, he has since dropped Mr. Maltz from the payroll and will not use his screenplay.

Kramer and Preminger, however, are sticking to their guns. They reserve the undisputed American right of hiring whom they please. Preminger has engaged Dalton Trumbo to write the screenplay for "Exodus," the saga of Israel, and pledges there will be no communist propaganda in it. If the film is successful, rumor has it — I know because I started the rumor — Mr. Trumbo, under his own name and under the aegis of Mr. Preminger, will do the screen story of the Hungarian Revolution and its happy ending.

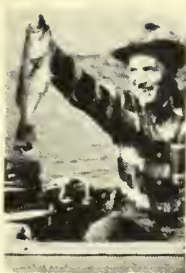
As for Mr. Kramer, producer of "On the Beach," when he says he can recognize communist propaganda he has a record to prove it. In 1947 — what a year that was! — he gave a course, together with his subsequent partner, Carl Foreman, in screenwriting at the Peoples Educational Center, which became affectionately known as the Little Red Schoolhouse. Mr. Kramer has stated that he was not aware that the Center was a communist school and, since he is an exceptionally aware person, that's good enough for me.

To sum up: (a) there never were any communists in Hollywood; (b) the producers in 1947 promised to get rid of them; (c) so there *can't* be any there now; and (d) if there are any, they won't get any propaganda into their films.

One final word: Although the U.S.S.R. is violently opposed to spying, it was not just the U-2 incident that wrecked the Paris meeting. Mr. Khrushchev, who believes no writer should be blacklisted for his political opinions, was deeply shocked at the summary dismissal of Mr. Maltz and felt he could not do business with a country that would permit such goings-on. I humbly suggest that the candidates for both parties, if they hope honestly to meet with Mr. K. at a future Summit meeting, pledge themselves to see to it that Mr. Maltz is rehired — with, of course, due apologies and back pay. And that they promise to see to it that all who had any part in the scandalous affair are properly punished.

And now, if you'll pardon my haste, I must be off. Since writing this, I have had my worst attack in recent years — I've even torn up my tickets for "On the Beach," to give you a slight idea — and my wife is rushing me to a hastily arranged meeting of Anti-Communists Anonymous, in the hope that I can be saved again. I plead with you, one and all, to pray for me.

THE END



ROD AND GUN CLUB



For the man with an interest in the great outdoors.

I'VE HAD SEVERAL letters from parents recently asking whether I thought their boy should have a .22 rifle. My thought for parents: If the boy or girl is 16, has a sense of responsibility, definitely yes, they should be permitted to own a gun. The right to bear arms is an integral part of our Constitution. It is significant that only the free can own guns; the communistic and dictator countries make gun-owning illegal for all except the military. But there are no laws in any of our 50 States that prevent anyone from owning a sporting arm. There should, of course, be careful instruction in gun handling and the .22 should only be used under adult supervision. But the pleasure of owning and shooting a .22 should not be denied a youngster. Developing the competitive spirit, gaining the social advantages from belonging to gun clubs and sportsmen's organizations, and learning to use a defensive weapon skillfully, are all assets.

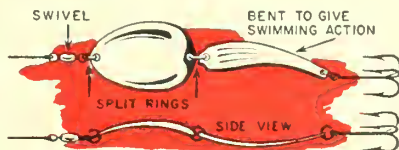
STUART F. BROKAW, JR., of 622 Mendlik Ave., Antigo, Wis., suggests that you save the small plastic boxes they give you at the hardware store when buying screws, small hinges or small door latches. Stuart says he likes the kind that open like a match box because they are wonderful containers for hooks and sinkers. And he also offers: "When scaling a slippery fish, try placing it on a sheet of sandpaper. It prevents the fish from sliding."



JIM VAGHY of 337 Walnut St., Batavia, Ill., has an interesting idea for kicking up rabbits. Jim says: "My buddy and I go rabbit hunting this way. We fasten a long wire between us hooked onto a loop in our pants. We drag the wire along the ground. When a rabbit jumps up we take turns shooting. To retrieve the game we just unhook the wire and pick up the rabbit."

RAYMOND A. HAGER, SMSgt, USAF, 4500th Support Squadron (TMD), Langley AFB, Va., questions: "Ever parked under a tree while fishing or hunting and come back to find the car's windshield spotted with tree sap? Or had the windshield covered with bugs on a drive? Plain water won't remove it, but you have the remedy right in your car. Wipe the windshield with water — open up a few cigarette butts and rub the windshield with tobacco. It removes all the sticky residue and film..."

HOWARD C. EHLERT, 3207 Georgia, NE, Albuquerque, N. Mex., has something for duckers: "A rubber band on the weight (anchors) of duck decoys, put over the decoy's head and used to secure the strings, can prevent tangling and save time and tempers."



DAVID BELLAMY, age 17, of 18 Rosemeathe Ave., Leicester, England, has a novel idea for a pike lure which he says catches pike for him. We illustrate it above. He takes an old spoon about 5½ inches long. He then cuts out about one inch of the thin part of the handle near the bowl and throws this away.

Out of the remaining two pieces he fashions his lure. He bends the handle a little to give swimming action. Then he hooks the wide end to the bowl with a split ring. At the front of the bowl he attaches the split ring, a swivel and his line. At the tail end of what was the spoon handle, he fastens a treble hook. Then he's in business. Pretty neat, we think.

MRS. JOHN M. ASPEN, 1123 W. 19th St., Sioux City 3, Iowa, goes all out for soda — baking soda, that is. "Take a package of it along with you on the camping trip," she says. "Rub a bee sting or insect bite with wet soda and forget it. If the thermos jug or coffee pot gets stale wash with baking soda and hot water, rinse well with fresh water. Weed or nettle rash will be eased almost immediately when rubbed with wet soda. Clean the greasy skillet with it; remove the taste or smell of fish; wash those socks that will be used in hunting or fishing boots in the regular manner, then rinse well in lukewarm water with two tablespoons of soda dissolved in it. This soda-treatment gives all garments a velvety soft feel. If you forgot your toothpaste, use baking soda..."

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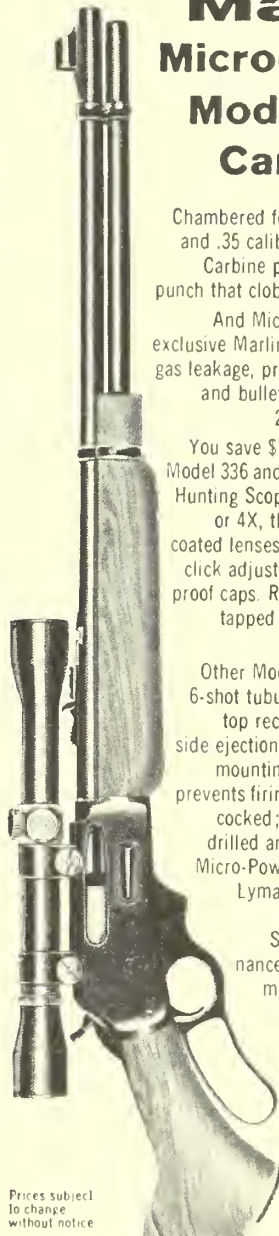
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NORTH DAKOTA REPORTS that 87 percent of all hunters who went afield for deer last year got their quarry. Twenty-eight thousand mule deer and whitetails were bagged. The split was 79.5 percent white-tails and 20.5 percent mule deer.

Mule deer harvest was highest in the Badlands where 76.1 percent of the bag were muleys.

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SOME HAVE WRITTEN in on the wolf question wondering if the gray creatures had all been killed off. No, they are still around, although not in abundance. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, in a surprise report, recently stated that 16 trappers employed by the Commission accounted for 48 genuine wolves during the month of May.

WILLIAM A. STERBINSKY, 356 Raleigh St., SE, Washington 20, D.C., is a fisherman who picks up ideas from other sporting activities. Witness: "During the football season I noticed something the fishermen-readers of our Legion Magazine Rod and Gun column ought to try. If you've forgotten your sunglasses or lost them during a fishing trip, do what the football players do to protect their eyes from glare. Take a cork from your tackle box and burn the end until it is blackened; let cool for a few seconds, then rub the cork under the eyes, just at the top of the cheekbone. This will greatly reduce the glare from the sun and water. The soot comes off easily even with cold water..."

THE PENNSYLVANIA Game Commission reports: In addition to the 1959 hunting harvest of 90,172 white-tailed deer, the following losses have occurred between June 1, 1959 and May 31, 1960:

Killed for damaging crops	1,054
Killed by vehicles	6,756
Killed in miscellaneous accidents	546
Killed illegally in season and out	2,666
Destroyed by dogs	597
Natural mortality last winter and early spring	about 5,000

Some of these figures, like those for "killed in accidents" and "destroyed by dogs," are low because many deaths occur unseen and uncounted.



"MY MOTHER AND DAD belong to the Legion and I read the Legion Magazine," writes Terry Powell, age 14, of 222 West Railroad St., Long Beach, Miss. "I like archery as a sport but I am always losing arrows. They are expensive and hard to find. Now I put a piece of red, luminous paper on my arrows and if I can't find them in the daylight, I come back at night with my flashlight. The red glow from the luminous tape makes them easy to find."

TOM BURRIER, Box 217, Oak Harbor, Wash., has been supplying us with sagacious sidelights for some time now. His specialty seems to be ducks. Here he is at it again:

"A real boon to duck hunters wearing glasses is an army helmet liner, which can still be purchased at surplus stores for four bits to a dollar. This lightweight headgear can be painted if desired, then shellacked or varnished for complete waterproofing. It's roomy enough to fit over a hunting coat hood or a wool cap, and the chinstrap keeps it in place in heavy winds. Among other advantages: it keeps rain from slanting onto eyeglass lenses and from dripping down the back of your neck.

"Another handy surplus item is cartridge belts, the old-style web pockets designed for caliber-.30 cartridges. These pockets hold four shotgun shells snugly, and for warm-weather upland hunting the shell belt beats a hunting vest or coat all hollow.

"A painless tip on fund raising for sportsmen's groups: Stamp dealers will pay from 50¢ to \$1 for old duck stamps if they are left on the license so that they can be removed without being damaged. Lesser amounts for used trout stamps, elk stamps, etc., as issued by State game and fish departments. Organized drives within a club and its friends can often net several hundred old duck stamps, and a neat profit with small effort."

—Jack Denton Scott

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FOOTBALL'S PEEPING TOMS

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Woonsocket to Wenatchee work as hard setting up plans of attack from their scouting reports.

What does scouting do for a coach? It establishes a definite style for his team. It tells what certain opposing players do best. It strikes the average of what the opponent generally does and what it is likely to do. That first report enables the defense to be built against the obvious and inescapable strength of the club and an attack against its apparent weakness.

It is very difficult for a team to cross up a defense on bread-and-butter plays. Those plays have to be used, and they can be scouted. So there is no surprise. In its purest form, scouting gets down to being the discovery which may be the difference in a deadlock of teams of equal strength. The coach devises the play, but the scout discovers the chink in the enemy armor.

One of the scout's best friends while spying on an opponent is the good quarterback on a team opposing the one he is scouting. This quarterback will feel out the opponent, jabbing here and there, finding weaknesses, then letting the team have it where it hurts.

Scouts are invaluable because their information is based on observation, plus the gossip and inside dope on injuries and rhubarbs they pick up in the outside world.

Coaches differ on how information should be transmitted to players. Some prefer their scouts to address players, others want information boiled down to mimeographed sheets and passed out to each individual. Still others combine both methods.

Don Holleder, former Army All-American now a scout at West Point, says that all Cadet scouting reports passed out to players are numbered for security purposes. The report usually has a cartoon in it, such as Army planes scoring a direct hit on Navy ships, to put players in the proper mood. Individual photos of opposing players also will be included. Other pictures will be blown up for locker room use. By game time an opposing player's face and personal playing habits are as familiar as though he were a member of the family.

Most scouting cards are broken down into the most minute details. This helps, among other things, to discover which pass receivers must be double teamed, how often certain receivers are thrown the ball, etc.

Going into a game, the football player is a walking filing cabinet on enemy maneuvers. To protect against forgetting what to do either through natural causes or by getting dazed in contact, certain key players wear an elastic, plastic wrist band, listing the plays or defenses that

can be used in certain circumstances.

The major difference between pro and college scouting is that the pro teams know one another's personnel and the basic offensive and defensive formations of all their opponents. Pro teams have tremendous files on each other.

Pro scouts basically look for alterations to either offense and defense as they are known to his team and then primarily at personnel. Sometimes a pro team will set up one type of defense on one side of center and another on the other. The pro coach wants to know where he can score. He wants to know the individual abilities of each lineman, linebacker and defensive back. He wants to know everything the opponent has shown on offense and the individual abilities of each player.

In college football, a scout must come up with a smart job of information on enemy personnel. He must get down all the offensive patterns and the defenses. He must get as much information as possible on every phase of football, starting out with the principle that his team knows nothing about the opponent. There are exceptions, because some colleges play each other year after year, but in general this holds true.

Interviewing a cross section of coaches, this writer learned that scouting is a more intensive project than it was 20 or 25 years ago. In those days usually only one coach worked on a year-round basis. Larger coaching staffs working year-round, more accent on winning, more variety in offenses, a faster game, wider exchange of films, increased intersectional play have resulted in a heavier burden on scouting, many of the coaches say.

This means, among other things, that scouting systems now produce a virtual library over a period of time, with opposing coaches, methods of play, fine points of system becoming cataloged. Old friends are questioned, newspaper clippings scanned. Sometimes scouting is put on a wholesale basis with an entire team showing up on an offday to watch an opponent.

With relatively recent advances and developments in movies, scouting reports are now more complete with films. A coach may have been tipped off by his scout that an opposing quarterback looks in the direction the play is going. By running film through his 16-mm. projector as often as he wishes, the coach gets a chance to study every flaw.

"Movies give coaches time to analyze and check fine points, things like blocking angles," explained "Red" Blaik, West Point's former great coach.

Under an exchange system, most colleges shoot footage of their home games

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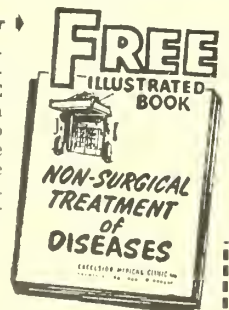
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and swap a strictly limited number, usually three, with rivals. For bowl games, where teams have no chance to scout each other personally, the film exchange takes on prime importance.

Movies complement, rather than replace, personal scouting. "Films are verification, and another record, of what the scout has seen," is the way Ben Schwartzwalder, Syracuse University coach, puts it. The scout knows his report must be accurate because the movies will show him up. Most college and pro teams continue to double team the opponent with a personal scout and film exchange.

In their lighter moments, coaches occasionally like to chat about pet preferences on scouting the opponent. Joe Kuharich, Notre Dame's coach, a seasoned veteran in the professional and college masterminding wars, seems to hit the medium with his summing up: "No matter how many movies you have of an opponent and no matter how you break them down, there never can be a substitute for the well-trained scout watching the opponent in person."

Movies give teams a good chance to scout themselves. After going over films a few times, the coach knows exactly how his team played in the last game. He discovers and charts players' mistakes — "telegraphing" plays, for instance. Films enable the entire coaching staff to brainstorm each problem.

Modern gadgets, too, have wormed their way into scouting. Some sleuths like to work with portable dictaphones. The trouble is that when he plays back the tape, instead of noting where the linebacker flared to his right, a scout is apt to hear an angry discourse on "that stupid quarterback . . . doesn't he know you don't pitch out on second and one."

Even those once legendary "Die for Dear Old Rutgers" half-time talks by coaches have all but disappeared because of the accent on scouting. There's too much to be done in the brief half-time.

Example: Last year in their annual meeting, which some followers like to refer to as The Game, Harvard led favored Yale, 8-6, at half-time. Long ago this might have been an occasion for rejoicing by the Johnny Harvards during intermission. Not today. Harvard players studiously listened to a report from the assistant coach, Al Bell, now skipper at Villanova, who had scouted Yale's weaknesses from the press box during the first half. As a result Harvard went back to work and scored more touchdowns for a one-sided, unexpected Harvard victory.

"There is a difference of opinion as far as coaches are concerned on scouting in general," says Duffy Daugherty, football boss at Michigan State University. "Some feel one man should be responsible for scouting any single team. I like to have at least two men see each team. One

should be more familiar with the line and linebackers, the other with secondary defense."

Navy's department of football intelligence informs as follows: "Multiple formations create a severe problem for a scout. Offenses and defenses of 20 or 25 years ago were stereotyped. The team used either single or double wing; very few used both. Today teams may vary systems on every play."

A scout's first duty is to get to the right city, right game and on time. This is about like saying if you're going to play a football game, make sure you



... and then I figured, what good is the perfect crime if nobody knows about it?"

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have a ball. Yet almost any coach can spin a favorite yarn about experiences with scouts.

Lefty James, the Cornell University gridmaster, remembered his scout going to Philadelphia for the Yale-Penn game instead of to New Haven where the game was played. "Another time," Lefty recalled, "I sent a scout to the Army-Illinois game in 1948. I got a beautiful report but later learned he never had been at the game. It turned out that was the game in which Army put in its draw play for the first time. We never had a look at it, and Army beat us a week later with the play."

In the 1932 Rose Bowl game, the late Jock Sutherland, Pitt coach, sent one of his most trusted aides to the West Coast to scout University of Southern California, Pitt's opponent. The scout informed Jock: "You haven't got a thing to worry about. They never pass."

So Jock set up his defense aimed primarily at stopping a powerhouse. USC threw three long touchdown passes in the first nine minutes of play and went on to annihilate Pitt, 35-0. Sutherland was furious but didn't think much about

it until attending a party 14 years later in Pittsburgh where many of his former assistants and players were in attendance. After a few rounds of the elixir of life, the scout assigned to USC on that disastrous day in '32 went over to Jock and said, "Doctor, I have something to tell you. The night before I was to scout USC, I went out to a party and didn't wake up until the next day when I found myself in Tijuana. I never got to the game, but a friend of mine told me USC never passed so that is why I gave you the report I did."

Everyone in the room howled except Sutherland who sobered up quickly and about tore his erring aide limb from limb before other guests could pull him off.

Wherever scouts and other football folk gather, the late Jack Lavelle is toasted as the superscout of them all. Jack, about a 300-pounder, scouted college and pro games for 30 years and as a pioneer helped scouting reach its present status as an integral part of the game.

Many years ago, Knute Rockne sent Jack to New Haven to scout Army for Notre Dame in a game against Yale. Jack got caught in a traffic jam and didn't arrive at the game until the second half. To get a fill-in on the first half, he bought a paper and from play-by-play accounts tried to complete the picture.

Rockne replied with a hasty letter: "From your report, it appears you missed the first half. If I want a newspaper account, I can buy one myself."

Lavelle got his scouting start when as a third-string guard under Rockne he was injured. "You scout Army," Rock told him. "You'll do all right. Just remember Army is in black, and if you see any linemen playing the way you usually do, tell me and I'll know where to attack."

In 1950 Lavelle scouted Princeton for his pal, the late Herman Hickman, then coach of Yale. After watching Princeton bury Harvard, 63-26, Jack sent perhaps the shortest scouting report on record: "Cancel."

Dick Beyer, one of Ben Schwartzwalder's eagle scouts for Syracuse University's 1959 national championship team and Cotton Bowl winner, remembered sitting at a game with Lavelle.

"I couldn't believe it when I first saw him work a game," Beyer said. "He just sat there. I slaved away with charts and diagrams, took notes furiously while he simply watched the game. I learned later he had a wonderfully retentive memory and could recall a certain play and a player's assignment weeks later."

The first year Army's immortal Mr. Outside, Glenn Davis, played varsity at the Point, Lavelle discovered that on pitchout plays Davis was fed the ball in such a way he didn't have a firm grip. This intelligence went back to Notre

Dame who stole the ball once from him and made him fumble three other times.

But in the '44 and '45 games Lavelle had only one word for Notre Dame in preparation for those great Army teams: "Duck."

If you want to see more football next time you are at a game, take these tips

from scouts: Fix your eyes on the line. Plays are made or killed there, and you will see that in action. Meanwhile, you won't miss a thing, because ball carriers must get there sooner or later and nothing they do is important until that moment.

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SACCO-VANZETTI, AGAIN

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times take off his shoes, an informality which visibly froze the starched judge. The transcript reveals that Thayer kept his patience with Moore, and shows too that Moore tried that patience sorely. (It was not until much later that Thayer was charged with having shown a public bias against the defendants during the trial.) After the conviction Moore and his committee encouraged international expressions of resentment over the verdict, and there followed during the summer months demonstrations and parades and strikes and explosive editorials all over the world. In the excitement all touch with reality was lost.

For one thing, the Communist Party moved in. Ben Gillow, former head of the Communist Party in the United States, has written about the Party's interest in Sacco and Vanzetti during these years: "The Communist Party has always regarded a *cause célèbre*, particularly with a labor or Negro angle to it, as a golden opportunity for advancing the Party's own fortunes politically and financially. The personal fate of the individuals involved is of no moment to the Party, which looks down upon the puny human beings enmeshed in trouble from the Olympian heights of Historical Perspective through the objective telescope known as Class Angle."

In Paris, the pro-communist *L'Humanité* dutifully put the following words in Judge Thayer's mouth, claiming they had been a part of his charge to the jury: "They [Sacco and Vanzetti] are guilty because of their ideas. It is possible that they might have committed this crime just to dishonor present society and to give an appearance of reason to those who hold that robbery is the natural product of private property." The grounds of the American Embassy were stormed. It took 10,000 policemen and 18,000 soldiers to guard the place.

Moore drew back, for he sensed that in taking on the cause of Sacco and Vanzetti the communists could only hurt his case and would merely stiffen the resistance of the Massachusetts judiciary. But Moore was too late. The communists and the ideologues never took over the Sacco-Vanzetti case in the sense that it can be said they took over the Scottsboro case a few years later: but they did, by their rabid distortions, create a hysteria

and recklessness which caught on in saner circles, which continues, indeed, to characterize most of the rhetoric on Sacco-Vanzetti. The case "was turned into a text by the Reds," Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes wrote to Harold Laski; and it became about as difficult to maintain the guilt of Sacco-Vanzetti in fashionable quarters — or the innocence of the executors of justice in Massachusetts — as, much later, it became to suggest that Senator McCarthy had something important to say about security standards in government.

By 1924, Moore had, by his legal and rhetorical abandon, and his part in the ideologization of the case, cemented the hatred (there is no other word for it) of Sacco, who now doubted the sincerity of Moore's efforts in his behalf — "... you and your philanthropists" he stormed in a letter to Moore dated August 18, 1924, "has been use it [the case] from last three years like an instrument of infamous speculation. I am telling you that you are going to stop this dirty game! You hear me! ... No, because I know that you are the one that brings in these mud in Sacco-Vanzetti case ... (signed) Your implacable enemy, now and forever, Nick Sacco."

Moore withdrew, and drove back to California in search of more radicals to defend. He had been one of those primarily responsible for lifting the case of Sacco and Vanzetti up by its own bootstraps to the level of *cause célèbre*; even so, Fred Moore was too whisper in the ear of the radical socialist Upton Sinclair shortly after the execution that, in his judgment, "Sacco was probably, Vanzetti possibly, guilty."

It is a long way from the communist view of history to that of Professor Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., of Harvard, yet as recently as 1958, in a work of history no less ("The Age of Roosevelt," Volume I), Professor Schlesinger wrote about the case as follows:

"In May 1920, following the murder of a paymaster in South Braintree, Mass., Brockton police picked up two Italians in an automobile with the innocent and febrile literature of anarchistic propaganda. . . .

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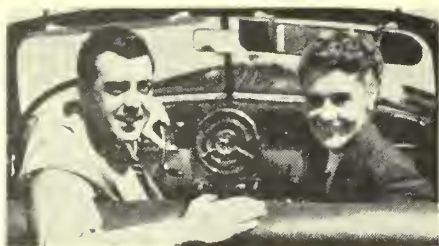
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murder charge, they stood little chance as confessed radicals, aliens and draft-dodgers in a time of hysteria. . . .

(A year earlier, during the worst of the "red scare," in the same courthouse at Dedham, an Anglo-Saxon jury calmly and resolutely freed a self-confessed anarchist named Segris Zagroff, who proclaimed volubly his intense dislike of our form of government. The jury adjudged him not guilty of the charge that he advocated the violent overthrow of the government, thereby acting in a way historians and sociologists and jurists have been telling us for a generation no Massachusetts jury would have acted toward an anarchist.)

"The trial judge, who soon . . .

(Three years later.)

"... boasted of what he had done to 'those anarchistic bastards' . . .

(The judge flatly denied using those words. He had, however, spoken impatiently and belligerently about the screeching organization of leftwingers who, in his judgment, were attempting to undermine justice by reckless attacks on the Massachusetts judiciary. The alleged remark was made a few years before the judge's house was to be blown up by an anarchist's bomb.)

"... completed the design of Massachusetts justice. So in 1921 . . .

(1927)

"... Sacco and Vanzetti were sentenced to death . . .

(Six years after they had been convicted; after the hearing of a half dozen motions for a retrial, after carefully weighed appeals to every court in Massachusetts, to the federal courts, to four justices of the Supreme Court; after independent investigations by a committee composed of the presidents of Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a former Massachusetts judge; after a private investigation by the personal lawyer of the Governor of Massachusetts; and a review of the reviews by the Governor himself.)

"... two obscure immigrants about whom no one cared." . . .

(No one except—to quote the catalogue compiled by Robert H. Montgomery, a Boston lawyer, in his recent book—"law professors, lawyers, law students, college presidents, college professors, journalists, preachers, poets, playwrights, authors, labor unions, civil liberties unions, church councils, picketers, demonstrators, dynamiters, and do-gooders.")

Thus from a professor of history at Harvard about the Sacco-Vanzetti case. Is it any wonder that less fastidious students of political affairs—television writers, for instance—should be so confused?

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I say we will not, in all likelihood, ever know for sure whether it was Sacco and Vanzetti who did the murder. They

were convicted by a jury which was impressed primarily by the circumstantial evidence. The identification witnesses washed each other out. What it comes down to, really, is the gun, and the obsolete bullets. However unlikely, it is nevertheless possible that the murderers and Sacco were the only people who happened to have such unusual bullets in their possession. And then of course, if in fact the fatal bullet was clandestinely withdrawn, and another, shot through Sacco's barrel, slipped in its place, the substantive case against Sacco and Vanzetti disappears.

Even without the bullet there are grounds for being suspicious about Sacco-Vanzetti, but no one, surely, would then consider them guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. The suggestion that that is exactly what happened—that a substitute bullet was sneaked into the exhibit counter—met, quite properly, with the astonished resentment of Massachusetts authorities. But it had become necessary to level that precise charge, for now, after the testimony of the ballistics expert Col. Calvin Goddard in 1927, it was no longer possible for the defense to maintain that the bullet and the gun did not match. It is too much to believe (though even wilder charges than this were levelled before the case was closed) that a bullet was substituted on the motion of Judge Thayer and the prosecutor, Frederick G. Katzmann, and the villainy executed under the eyes of the police officials in charge of the exhibits. That way madness lies, the kind of madness which at a later time seized some otherwise responsible Americans who have gone about charging that the Justice Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation joined hands in a project to forge a typewriter with which to frame Alger Hiss. Such a charge is unthinkable about men with decent pasts and decent futures, in the absence of evidence; this is not the kind of thing disinterested or honorable men do. They are restrained from such venality if not out of respect for justice, then from fear of being found out, and the appalling consequences of exposure.

But suppose—just suppose—that a single man, an unscrupulous zealot, whoever it was, took personal charge of the exhibits, contrived to make the substitution, and carried his secret to the grave? Such a man bears the responsibility for murdering Sacco and Vanzetti as surely as if he had put poison in their soup. But even assuming that malevolent hypothesis, what becomes of the great case of Sacco and Vanzetti? What would the framing have to do with the trial judge, and the prosecutors, and the lawyers and judges and university presidents who, totally innocent of the perfidy, concluded that Sacco and Vanzetti had been fairly tried, and that the verdict

was borne out by the weight of the evidence? Lacking any proof of the substitution, how could they have been expected to rule otherwise than they did? Why are we constantly being told that justice itself was sick in Massachusetts, when in fact justice ruled reasonably on the basis of the evidence in hand, and ground out a verdict which the facts — as known — all but compelled?

It is impossible to construct judicial rules of procedure which cannot yield an unjust verdict. Of course it can be alleged that Sacco and Vanzetti were framed, just as it can be alleged that



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Bruno Hauptmann and Louis Lepke and Al Capone were framed; just as it has been said that Alger Hiss was framed. The point is that there is no evidence, there is only speculation, artfully constructed hypotheses, insufficient to persuade decent and responsible men to join in the stampede to lynch the executors of Massachusetts justice during the 1920's, who must also be presumed innocent, until proved guilty.

What matters now is less whether Sacco and Vanzetti were guilty than whether they were fairly dealt with. If it should prove they were innocent — if, say, the real criminal is still alive, and will one day establish that Sacco and Vanzetti were not the murderers — to what extent would the adamant defenders of Sacco and Vanzetti, or rather the adamant critics of the men who sent them to death, win justification? I should say, Not at all. For their obligation would still be to point back to the trial and say why the jury should have voted otherwise; or tell us where the prosecution failed to follow a lead; or show where the trial judge abused his role as arbiter; or indicate why the appellate courts should have suspected it was not

Sacco and Vanzetti, but someone else, because there was compelling reason to believe the evidence had been rigged.

But no such demonstration has been made. Not a single change in the rules of evidence or procedure in Massachusetts law is traceable to the distilled criticisms of the handling of Sacco-Vanzetti. None was indicated, in the opinion of the responsible authorities, nor in the opinion of a considerable number of interested bystanders, who included the great John Henry Wigmore, the ranking authority on evidence in America. Sacco and Vanzetti were fairly tried, they said. Grant all the improprieties proved against Judge Thayer, grant in fact all the improprieties imputed to him; even then, it was the view of his superiors that there was no cause to call a mistrial, a position shared by Justice Holmes, whose offhand judgment it was that Sacco and Vanzetti did not suffer "anything more from the conduct of the judge than would be a matter of course in England," where judges tend to be highly domineering, and feel free to exercise their opinions more widely, and more pungently, than judges do here.

Why the continuing fever? Last spring NBC devoted two long programs to televising a rendition of the case by Reginald Rose which at least one viewer, Eugene Lyons, turned off halfway through in sheer disgust. As a young man Eugene Lyons served as publicity director for the Sacco-Vanzetti Committee, and still believes in their innocence: but he couldn't stomach Mr. Rose's parody. Now the Ford Foundation has awarded Marc Blitzstein, composer and longtime fellow traveler, a grant to make an original opera out of the case of Sacco-Vanzetti; and so their martyrdom will be set to music.

During the year two books will have been published (to both of which I am deeply obliged): "Sacco-Vanzetti, the Murder and the Myth," by Robert H. Montgomery (Devin-Adair, \$5.00), referred to earlier, is a detailed, minute investigation of the case by a no-nonsense Boston lawyer who firmly believes in their guilt. Scheduled to appear soon is another book by Francis Russell, who as firmly believes in their innocence, but who is outraged by the lengths to which Sacco-Vanzetti defenders have gone: who believes, indeed, that Sacco and Vanzetti were fairly tried, though he deplores Thayer's mention of radicalism during the trial.

Why the continuing interest? Because, for one thing, both Sacco and Vanzetti, though mostly Vanzetti, developed into magnetic, expressive men, as they sat, year after year behind bars, moving toward their final rendezvous with an awesome inexorability. The functional pidgin English of Vanzetti was transmuted in some of his letters into a dirge on our

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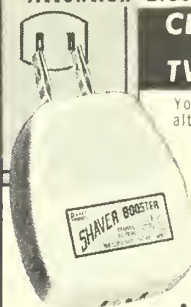
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time of almost overpowering eloquence, and all the world was struck, and remains so, by the fierce serenity of his final testament: "If it had not been for these things I might have live out my life talking at street corners to scorning men. I might have die, unmarked, unknown, a failure. This is our career and our triumph. Never in our full life can we hope to do such work for tolerance, for justice, for man's understanding of man, as now we do by an accident. Our words, our lives, our plans, nothing! The taking of our lives, lives of a good shoemaker and a poor fish peddler — all! That last moment belongs to us! That agony is our triumph!" And Sacco's final letter to his son: "Remember always, Dante, in the play of happiness, don't you use all for yourself only, but down yourself just one step at your side, and help the weak ones that cry for help, help the persecuted and the victim, because they are your better friends . . ."

This is a lesson for all of us, surely,

murderers and non-murderers alike.

These clearly were mythogenic men. And if indeed they were innocent, how sublime their ordeal! The apotheosis, to be sure, went quickly to obscene lengths. From the beginning, the anguish was unrestrained. There was even a book of poems, including the titles, "Two Crucified," "Jesus Also Sinned," "To Slay These Christs" ("Once in a while the earth produces a man to die . . . on the cross and to live on forever . . .").

This is bathos, and sacrilegious bathos at that. It remains true that notwithstanding the experience of the ages, it continues to be hard for sensitive men to believe that other sensitive men can be guilty of atrocities, a premise, incidentally, not unrelated to the failure of our foreign policy to cope with the Soviet Union these last 40 years. It cannot be demonstrated that men capable of writing the lines I have quoted are not capable of pumping bullets into the body of an innocent paymaster and his guard;

just as it cannot, alas, be demonstrated that men of such fragile sensibilities as Whittaker Chambers, and Arthur Koestler, *could not* have been agents of violent revolutionary socialism.

But beyond the personal appeal of the poor and illiterate fishpeddler and his friend the shoemaker, there was everywhere the virulence of men who despised this country and its institutions. Here was a human vehicle through which to indict the existing order, condemn our institutions, dramatize the cause of proletarian socialism, scrape away at the Puritan ethic, tear and wrench the nation and cause it to bleed across the pages of history. Their success has been considerable, and they do not give up, just as they will never give up on Alger Hiss. But they face the formidable opposition of common sense, and the toughminded honesty of Anglo-Saxon jurisprudence. And a Colt .32, and 23 oddball bullets, found in the pocket of Nicola Sacco. THE END

"Sound Off!"

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Mrs. Lloyd Bauer
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NO FAITH IN OAS

Sir: I agree with everything that Edward Tomlinson said about Castro in your August issue, but I have no faith that the Organization of American States can or will help. The Western Hemisphere was better off when we took unilateral action. Today the Latin politicians are constrained by the likely fact that nascent Castros are waiting to push them out. Apparently, the Castros have an easy time of it. All they need do is promise land reform. The guns come from the reds.

Harry G. Liese
New York, N. Y.

SPOILED BRATS

Sir: Whatever has happened to our American courage and self-respect that we let a nasty little gnat of a nation like Panama spit in our collective faces, desecrate our flag, and make bumbling fools of us? Appease and placate that rabble? Haven't we learned yet that

we cannot handle stunted and semi-psychotic minds that way? Give them one good thing — and you know the rest. They swell up and scream for more and more, demanding everything in sight, free and unearned. The more considerably we treat them, the more they think only that we are afraid of them, and hold us increasingly in contempt. They are a nation of spoiled brats — and we made them that way. Isn't it about time the worm turned? When the next major outrage occurs, act. Land 100,000 soldiers and marines, well covered by air, and take law and order in hand. Nor should we be in any hurry to withdraw, regardless of what is said. Of course they will shriek shrilly. And so will Cuba. But have we descended to such craven levels that we would cringe before the yelps of a jackal pack that had been begging for just what they got?

Chet Schwarzkopf
Eureka, Calif.

GOING UNDERGROUND

Sir: Without question, the cost of adequate emergency underground living quarters in our Priority I target areas would be immense. These costs could nevertheless be defrayed in large measure by allocating for them some of the many useless foreign aid dollars even yet being dispensed in countries where they have never benefitted the U.S. These underground shelters could be equipped in such a way as to serve two purposes. They could provide storage space for surplus grains, dairy products, and other foodstuffs for which the Commodity Credit Corporation has paid out millions just for storage in the past few years, and in case of emergency they

could be used by the refugee tenants. In addition, these vast redoubts might be connected to the outside world beyond the immediate target area by hooking them up with existing surface rail systems in adjacent suburban or rural areas. There is still time to act, since neither the Russians nor the Chinese are as prepared for war at the present nor as inclined toward it as they very probably will be in the not so distant future. And a firm stand at this time, based on absolute preparedness in all aspects, defensive and offensive, might be just the trick that puts off WW3, ad infinitum.

Larry Schoemann
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LOST AND FOUND

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Harry R. Allard
North Hollywood, Calif.

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THE ELDERLY...A PROBLEM FOR ALL OF US

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the time and will continue to do so.

Not only are new pension programs being established every day in companies which are late in joining the pension parade, but there is a pronounced trend in all companies to improve and liberalize benefits. They are year by year allocating more money to their pension reserves.

There is another factor working to increase the importance of these private pension programs as financial underpinning for the old age of millions of Americans. That is the simple passing of time. In many cases the man retiring now at age 65 under a pension plan that was initiated only 10 years ago will get much less than a man who will be 65 five years from now. This is because the man of 60 will have five years more of "service credits" since the program was established.

Therefore, just as the history of Social Security has been a record of continually higher benefit payments to the aged, so private pension programs will follow the same pattern.

Beyond what may be called these group programs—public and private—for old age income, there are all the individual plans which, in many cases, are most important of all. Annuities have long been one of the most popular forms of insurance. Millions of people provide themselves with regular income in their later years by buying an insurance policy—and making payments over a 20- 25- or 30-year period—which guarantees them financial benefits as long as they live.

But the average man does not end his work-life and enter retirement with his assets limited to Social Security, pension program, and annuity entitlements. Most families go into their retirement years with some kind of a "nest egg" representing the savings of a lifetime. Thrift, the traditional American virtue, may have lost some of its appeal for the younger generation, but most of our older citizens have had it as a cardinal principle in their lives.

So there will be savings in the bank, a building and loan account, a home or other property owned, savings bonds, or, recently added as a popular savings vehicle, mutual fund shares.

All of this, perhaps, paints too rosy a picture of the economic situation facing our aging population. It is true that there are many hardship cases, that many families have a critical problem in making ends meet when the weekly wage or monthly salary check stops coming in. But the point to remember is that human values are paramount in our country. We do not let the unfortunate go hungry nor the sick go unattended. As

human needs require, we minister to them. One may with confidence assume that the basic needs of older people will be satisfied as we build further upon the base of public and private programs and group and individual plans for their economic support.

While there is reason for optimism about satisfying better the economic needs of older people in an aging population, a consideration of their social needs is far less encouraging. This is a problem that is deep and difficult.

The American ideal is youth. We envy it, glorify it, enshrine it. To make us want to buy a product, use a service, or visit a vacation spot, our advertising is illustrated with pictures of lean young men and long-limbed carefree girls who throb with the vitality and energy of youth. To be lean, strong, happy, and young is a national aspiration. The wrinkles, quietude, and even the wisdom of age are qualities accorded little value.

It is because we glorify youth and try to forget old age that we do so poorly for the social needs of older people. That they have problems because of their years which are not economic comes only as an afterthought.

Nor have we been very inventive in providing much as an alternative to work as a meaningful and respected occupation. Much of our identity and standing comes from our job. When we have earned our pension or are too old to work any longer, we lose the status that comes from our work and we find little to take its place. The man who for 40 years could say, "I am a machinist," or "I work for the telephone company," knew that his words meant he was part of a busy, important world. When he says, "I am retired," he feels, and those who hear him often share the feeling, that he has withdrawn from life.

And that is likely to be true in a tragic number of cases. Even though he has no financial worries and his health is good, if he has entered into retirement with no plan or program for himself, he will find his leisure—prized so highly by all of us when we are busily employed—a great weight crushing down his spirit.

Yes, there are homes, institutions, "retirement villages," where older people live together. Some of them like it fine. Others put up with it as the best life that is available to them. But most older people shun such living arrangements. They want some closer touch with the busy workaday world they have always lived in.

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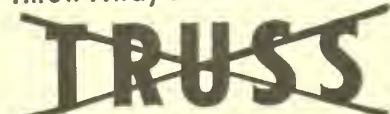
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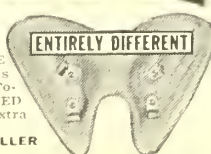
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idleness. For that to be done for everyone, the aged among us will have to be assigned a new place of honor, respect and love in our society. We will all have to find some way of establishing the value, and making use, of the talent, experience and wisdom of older people.

Such a change in our attitude will take a long time in coming. In the meantime, however, the individual can do much for himself. Just as he prepared for his job in life by education, training, and apprenticeship, so he must prepare for his life in retirement.

There is a growing realization that this can and should be done. And it is perhaps the most hopeful sign that can be discerned for our older people. Employers, unions and community agencies are

beginning to be concerned about providing those approaching retirement with the information and guidance they need to plan a good life for their later years.

Just this spring, the California Institute of Technology held a day-long conference on "Industry's Interest in the Older Worker." Cal Tech is justly famous as a great institution from whose laboratories and classrooms have come many ideas to improve the products and processes of American industry. It is significant that Cal Tech recognized that industry was beginning to feel some responsibility toward helping its older employees prepare for life in retirement and it provided a forum to which leading employers could come to discuss just how best to help.

Although the Cal Tech conference, attracting executives from more than 60 leading companies, was the first of its kind, it is safe to forecast that there will be others like it.

As Martin E. Segal, president of Retirement Advisors, Inc., pointed out at the Cal Tech conference, industry has more than a humane interest in seeing that its older employees look forward without dread and anxiety to retiring from their jobs. Their last years at work may be less productive if they are beset by fears of what lies ahead, their attitude toward their former employer may be embittered and may be spread through the community if, after retiring, they find themselves unhappy.

THE END

EVERYBODY'S LITTLE HELPERS

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cal home crops on his place in Connecticut. Third biggest market for the engines, Mr. Dutcher points out, is on the farm. Here the engines do everything they do everywhere else — and more besides. They milk cows, cut silage, churn, load grain, cut weeds, mow and bale hay, pick berries, detassel corn, dust crops, sharpen disks, shear sheep. The smallest practical engines for home work ($\frac{1}{2}$ -horsepower) run washing machines and cream separators.

As Mr. Dutcher grew up with the little engines, he watched them grow constantly smaller—till they grew down into the small lightweight powerplants of today.

"At first," he recalls, "low-horsepower gasoline engines were big in size, very heavy, and slow. We thought we couldn't make a gasoline engine run fast and last long. Then we learned about lubrication and heat transfer, and we finally realized that within limits speed did not adversely affect life."

The gasoline engine was born in 1874. George Brayton, an Englishman transplanted to Boston, produced a machine to compete with other crude engines that ran on coal, wood, or gas (not gasoline). His original model is today in the nation's attic, the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

The engines stayed big till the 1880's. Then, in 1885, a man named Gottlieb Daimler in Germany shrank one and put it onto a two-wheeled vehicle—the first motorcycle or motor scooter. That same year, working independently but also in Germany, Karl Benz put a $\frac{3}{4}$ -horsepower engine onto a three-wheeled carriage. In 1886, Daimler put a $1\frac{1}{2}$ -horsepower job onto a horse-drawn landau. Benz and Daimler had invented the automobile. Daimler, Mr. Dutcher points out, had done more: He had drastically reduced the size of the engine. Instead of an enor-

mous, slow engine, Daimler's weighed only 88 pounds per horsepower and produced 800 revolutions per minute.

From then on, the engines got smaller,

lighter, faster. Mr. Dutcher showed me the engines in the Columbia University laboratory. "Look at this," he said, "It's a 1924 Fairbanks-Morse. It runs at 475 revolutions per minute, develops 3 horsepower, and weighs 400 pounds.

"Today," he goes on, "a $1\frac{1}{2}$ -horsepower chain saw operates at 3,000 revolutions per minute." A new saw on the market weighs under 14 pounds, yet develops $5\frac{1}{2}$ horsepower. A 1960 $7\frac{1}{2}$ -horsepower outboard motor weighs only 36 pounds.

"The thing that really put these engines in business," Mr. Dutcher says, "was World War II. In the war, GI's began to use them all over the place." Almost every World War II vet is familiar with the "putt-putt." Around the world, they ran air compressors, laid smoke screens, ran firefighting pumps, warmed up airplane engines. Outboard motors were dropped with rubber rafts in rescues; they pushed pontoons into place for bridges; they drove assault boats.

A wide U.S. military use was in generators. "Look at these 100-pound generators," Mr. Dutcher said. "One man could carry them. Two men could carry them nicely and usually did. During the war their size continued to be cut down. One generator, carried by paratroops, weighed only eight pounds."

After the war came the turning point. "The thing that really made 'em tick," says Mr. Dutcher, "was mass production." This meant precision manufacturing of parts. It meant economy in price, with the average lawnmower selling in recent years for around \$55. Mass production also entailed research that brought about quicker starting and quieter engines.

It made the engines more dependable and longer lasting. Engines are beefed up at critical points of wear. A mower should last seven or more years. Most



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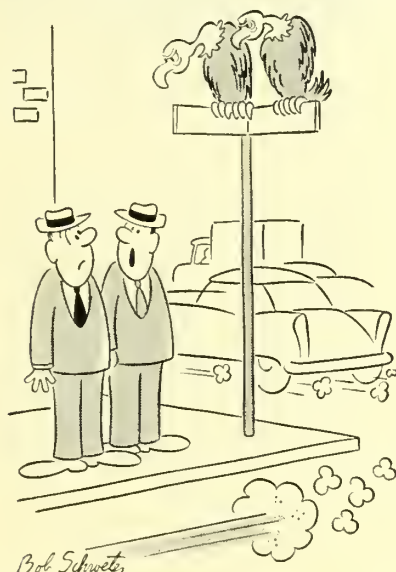
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do. The postwar mass production also led to a network of service centers covering the U.S. and Canada. Even where there isn't a regular service center, there's usually a neighborhood handy Andy who can fix up an engine. Besides, the engines are simple. "There's nothing hard about fixing a gasoline engine," says Mr. Dutcher, "if you know just what to look for. They can be repaired, dismantled, and assembled easily."

A fast-growing use for the little engines at the moment is in chain or reciprocating-action saws. Lumberjacks and tree farmers are grabbing them up.



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Bob Gibson, vice president of a lawn-mower company, who thought he knew all about the small engines, hired a man to cut down an 18-inch oak tree recently—and learned something new. "He started about 8 a.m.," Bob recalls. "With his chain saw, he cut off the limbs. He passed them down by ropes. He laid out the limbs to make a sort of mattress for the trunk to fall on. With his saw, he felled the tree within two inches of where he said he would. Then he cut branches, trunk, and all, into 18-inch lengths for firewood. He hadn't harmed a single one of my rose bushes. Didn't even harm the grass. He was done by noon."

In homes away from power lines, generators provide the power for furnaces, household appliances, workshop tools. (Their exhausts are vented to carry fumes outdoors, or they're located outside the house.) On construction jobs before wires have been strung in, they provide lighting, and run saws, drills, hammers, pipe threaders, pipe benders.

The small gasoline engine is opening up a vast new field right now, that of the light vehicle. The smallest auto made in

the U.S.A. is not one of Detroit's compact cars but a 690-pound, two-passenger, 9/4-horsepower midget that has been manufactured in Athens, Ohio, for 12 years. Small boys have two vehicles to choose from: Quarter-midget racers (which are boy-size racing cars) or karts. These latter are simple frame-works-on-wheels, with one or two lawn-mower engines at the rear. Currently there's a boom in karts. More than 1,600 tracks have been built this year where boys may be turned loose on 'em.

But the most popular light vehicle of all is the scooter. The scooter was first produced in 1936 in a single two-wheeled model without any trimmings. Today there are dozens of models and colors, and half the scooters made are three-wheeled. Having conquered the nation's golf courses, the three-wheelers—now equipped with automotive-type, electric, pushbutton starters—are often a family's second car. You'd better stay off the thruways in them, but there are said to be \$350,000 worth of them on the streets of Palm Springs, Calif., alone.

The versatility of one small gasoline engine is shown by the fact that the very same engine that powers many of the scooters also runs mowers, grain elevators, pumps, jacks, generator sets, milling machines, garden tractors, compressors, sprayers, cement mixers, and boats. Still other uses for still other little engines are to prune trees, charge batteries, sand floors, open and close big valves for water and gas companies, operate fork-lift trucks, run circular saws, heat cabins, dig postholes. A long-handled attachment for some engines spins a metal disk that cuts underbrush as much as 10 times as quickly as by hand. The smallest gasoline engines of all, 1/4-horsepower, fly your son's model airplanes.

The success of small gasoline engines has not gone unnoticed and, as you might expect, competition is raising a dozen heads. A 5-horsepower and a 10-horsepower gas turbine are on the market. Diesels, traditionally huge, now are made from 1 1/2-horsepower up. Their goal is direct competition with the gasoline jobs. The first diesel outboard went on the market this year. Manufacturers of electric-powered vehicles are experimenting with smaller batteries, fuel cells, and even solar power. One company is experimenting with a Dutch-designed hot-air engine, burning kerosene or fuel oil, that could result in silent mowers, chain saws, outboards.

Whatever the competition, the gasoline engine revolution is not ended, but is a current, pulsating event, still unfolding. One prediction seems sure: The 1960's will see more mechanical aid available to the average man than ever before. Power in small packages will give him the greatest help he's ever had.

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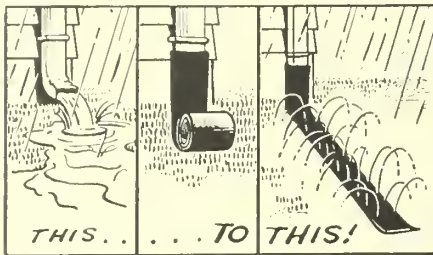
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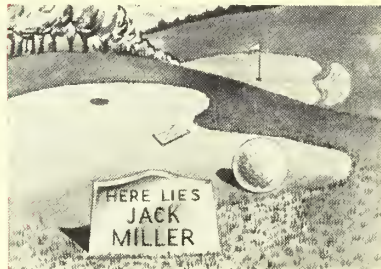
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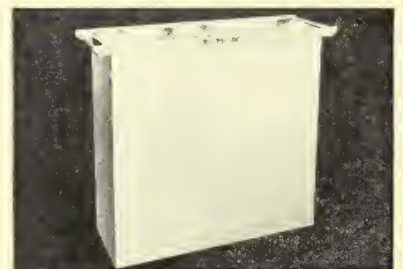
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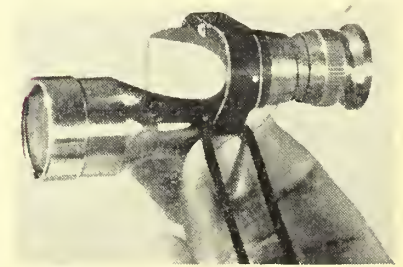
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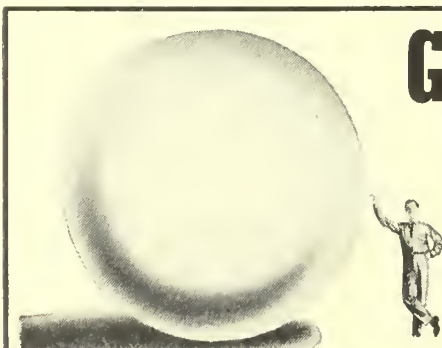
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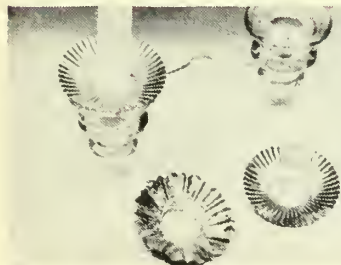
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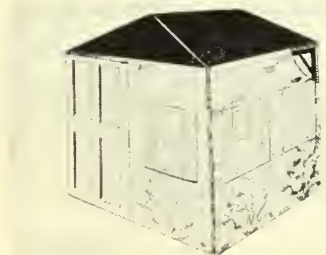
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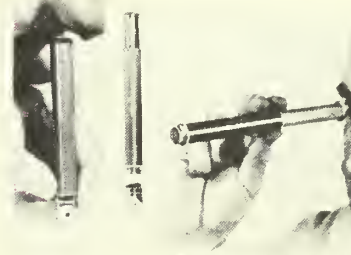
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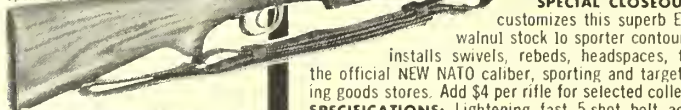
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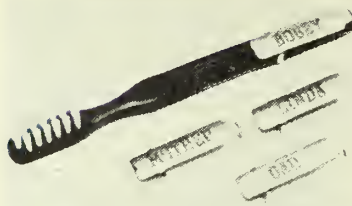
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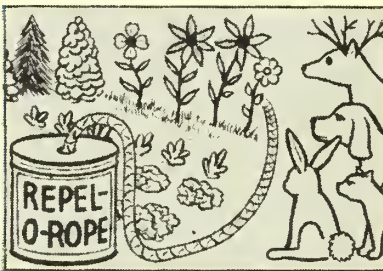
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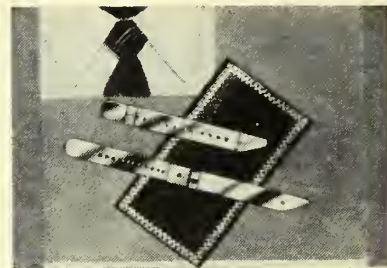
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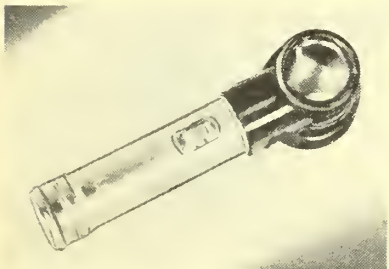
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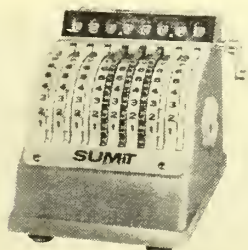
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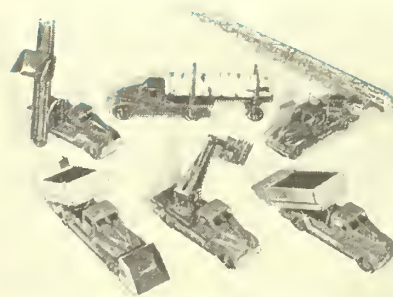
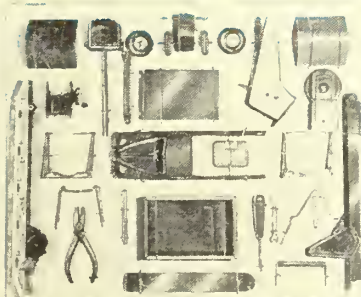
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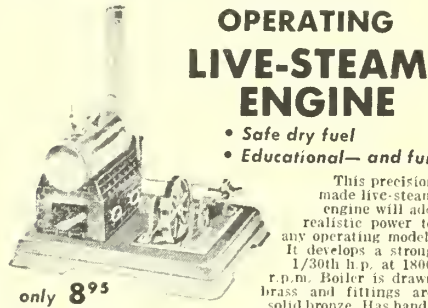
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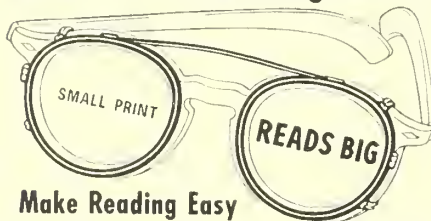


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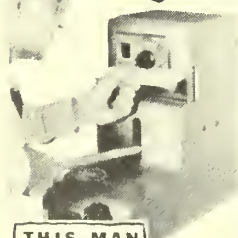
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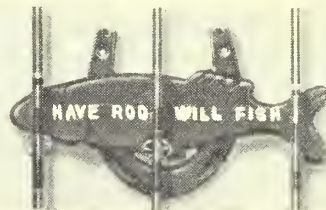
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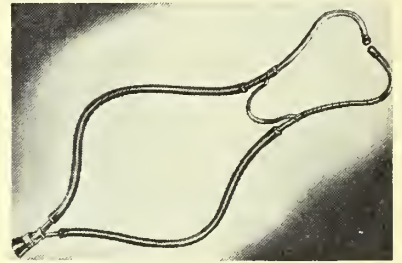
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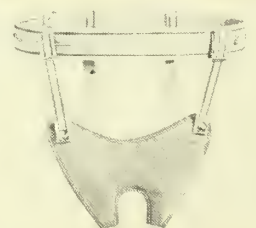
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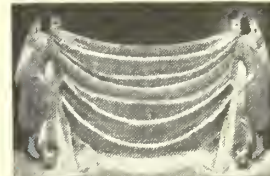
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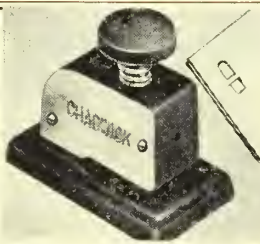
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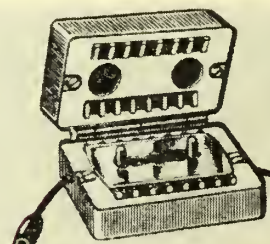
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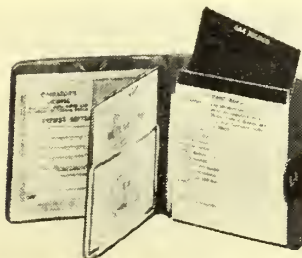
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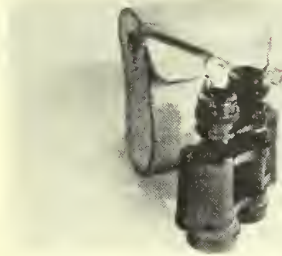
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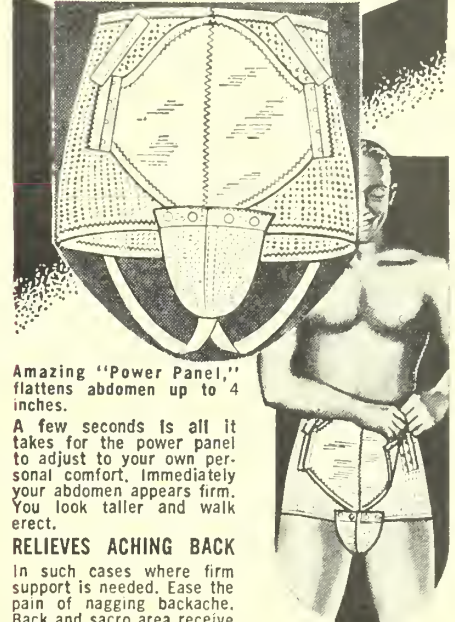
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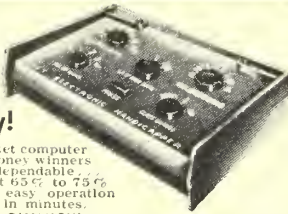


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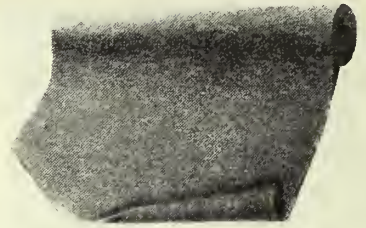
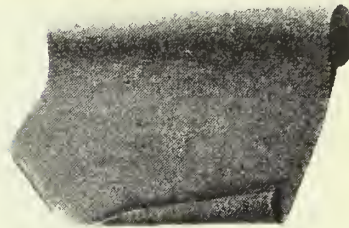
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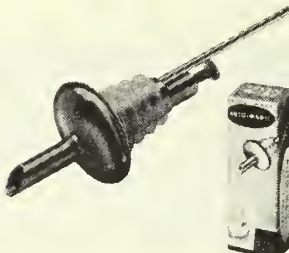
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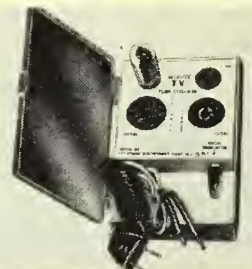
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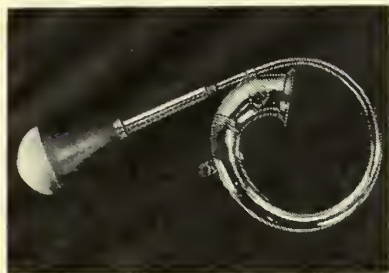


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1945—Now, son, you're catching the ball like I did in the first couple of games I played for Cranford. And, boy, did I get smeared. Fortunately, I'd learned my lesson before the big game with Woolsey.

1950—Why I wouldn't be afraid to get out there today the way these kids play. When I was at Cranford, I played a full game without relief many times. Get knocked out in those days and they just propped you up in the line for the next play. We didn't know the meaning of the word padding.

1960—The T-formation goes back a lot longer than that, friend—to 1928 to be exact. I was on the Cranford team that year and our coach was sick. Fellow named Bronski was quarterback, but he had no imagination. Well, with the big game coming up, I know we had to spring some surprises to win. So I told Bronski . . .

—W. G. LIVINGSTON

Late Extra

I'm dumb at parties; but ah, next day,

There flashes into my head,

The cleverest sort of thing to say

That I hadn't—but might have—said.

However, my keen wit makes the grade,

(Through time has a bit delayed it)

As I tell the crack that I might have made,

The way that I wish I'd made it.

—JEFF MATTHEWS



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